

List of birds recorded at Emirates Palace – 12 September 2009

Pelecaniformes

Cormorants (Phalacrocoracidae)

Great Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax carbo*)
Socotra Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax nigrogularis*)

Ciconiiformes

Hérons, Egrets and Bitterns (Ardeidae)

Striated Heron (*Butorides striata*)
Cattle Egret (*Bubulcus ibis*)
Grey Heron (*Ardea cinerea*)
Purple Heron (*Ardea purpurea*)
Western Reef Heron (*Egretta gularis*)

Anseriformes

Ducks, Swans and Waterfowl (Anatidae)

Mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*)

Falconiformes

Falcons (Falconidae)

Common Kestrel (*Falco tinnunculus*)
Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*)

Osprey (Pandionidae)

Osprey (*Pandion haliaetus*)

Hawks, Eagles and Kites (Accipitradae)

Western Marsh Harrier (*Circus aeruginosus*)
Eurasian Sparrowhawk (*Accipiter nisus*)

Galliformes

Turkeys, Grouse, Pheasants and Partridges (Phasianidae)

Grey Francolin (*Francolinus pondericerianus*)

Charadriiformes

Stilts and Avocets (Recurvirostridae)

Black-winged Stilt (*Himantopus himantopus*)

Plovers and Lapwings (Charadriidae)

Red-wattled Lapwing (*Vanellus indicus*)
Pacific Golden Plover (*Pluvialis fulva*)
Grey Plover (*Pluvialis squatarola*)
Common Ringed Plover (*Charadrius hiaticula*)
Kentish Plover (*Charadrius alexandrinus*)
Lesser Sand Plover (*Charadrius mongolus*)
Caspian Plover (*Charadrius asiaticus*)

Snipes, Sandpipers and Phalaropes (Scolopacidae)

Common Snipe (*Gallinago gallinago*)
Pin-tailed Snipe (*Gallinago stenura*)
Whimbrel (*Numerius phaeopus*)
Eurasian Curlew (*Numenius arquata*)
Common Redshank (*Tringa totanus*)
Common Greenshank (*Tringa nebularia*)
Common Sandpiper (*Actitis hypoleucos*)
Ruff (*Philomachus pugnax*)

Gulls and Terns (Laridae)

Caspian Gull (*Larus cachinnans*)
Lesser Black-backed Gull (*Larus fuscus*)
Common Black-headed Gull (*Larus ridibundus*)
Slender-billed Gull (*Larus geneii*)
Gull-billed Tern (*Gelochelidon nilotica*)
Caspian Tern (*Hydroprogne caspia*)
Lesser Crested Tern (*Sterna bengalensis*)
Common Tern (*Sterna hirundo*)
White-cheeked Tern (*Sterna repressa*)
Saunders' Tern (*Sternula saundersi*)
Bridled Tern (*Onychoprion anaethetus*)

Colombiformes

Doves and Pigeons (Columbidae)

Rock Dove (*Columba livia*)
Eurasian Collared Dove (*Streptopelia decaocto*)
Laughing Dove (*Streptopelia senegalensis*)

Psittaciformes

Parrots and Macaws (Psittacidae)

Alexandrine Parakeet (*Psittacula eupatria*)
Rose-ringed Parakeet (*psittacula krameri*)

Cuculiformes

Cuckoos (Cuculidae)

Common Cuckoo (*Cuculus canorus*)

Caprimulgiformes

Nightjars (Caprimulgidae)

European Nightjar (*Caprimulgus europaeus*)

Apodiformes

Swifts (Apodidae)

Alpine Swift (*Tachymarptis melba*)
Pallid Swift (*Apus pallidus*)

Coraciiformes

Rollers (Coraciidae)

European Roller (*Coracias garrulus*)

Bee-Eaters (Meropidae)

Little Green Bee-eater (*Merops orientalis*)
Blue-cheeked Bee-eater (*Merops persicus*)
European Bee-eater (*Merops apiaster*)

Hoopoes (Upupidae)

Common Hoopoe (*Upupa epops*)

Passeriformes

Shrikes (Laniidae)

Red-backed Shrike (*Lanius collurio*)
Isabelline Shrike (*Lanius isabellinus*)
Lesser Grey Shrike (*Lanius minor*)
Southern Grey Shrike (*Lanius meridionalis*)
Woodchat Shrike (*Lanius senator*)

Crows and Jays (Corvidae)

House Crow (*Corvus splendens*)

Orioles (Oriolidae)

Eurasian Golden Oriole (*Oriolus oriolus*)

Swallows and Martins (Hirundinidae)

Sand Martin (*Riparia riparia*)
Barn Swallow (*Hirundo rustica*)
Common House Martin (*Delichon urbicum*)
Red-rumped Swallow (*Cecropsis daurica*)

Larks (Alaudidae)

Greater Short-toed Lark (*Calandrella brachydactyla*)
Crested Lark (*Galerida cristata*)
Eurasian Skylark (*Alauda arvensis*)

Cisticolas and Allies (Cisticolidae)

Graceful Prinia (*Prinia gracilis*)

Bulbuls (Pycnonotidae)

White-eared Bulbul (*Pycnonotus leucotis*)
Red-vented Bulbul (*Pycnonotus cafer*)

Old World Warblers (Sylviidae)

Great Reed Warbler (*Acrocephalus arundinaceus*)
Marsh Warbler (*Acrocephalus palustris*)
Upcher's Warbler (*Hippolais languida*)
Willow Warbler (*Phylloscopus trochilus*)
Common Chiffchaff (*Phylloscopus collybita*)
Desert Whitethroat (*Sylvia minula*)
Common Whitethroat (*Sylvia communis*)

Starlings (Sturnidae)

Common Myna (*Acridotheres tristis*)
Rose-coloured Starling (*Sturnus roseus*)
Common Starling (*Sturnus vulgaris*)

Thrushes (Turdidae)

Song Thrush (*Turdus philomelos*)
Mistle Thrush (*Turdus viscivorus*)

Chats (Muscicapidae)

Bluethroat (*Luscinia svecica*)
Common Nightingale (*Luscinia megarhynchos*)
Rufous-tailed Scrub Robin (*Cercotrichas galactotes*)
Black Redstart (*Phoenicurus ochruros*)

Common Redstart (*Phoenicurus phoenicurus*)
Whinchat (*Saxicola rubetra*)
Isabelline Weatear (*Oenanthe isabellina*)
Northern Wheatear (*Oenanthe oenanthe*)
Pied Wheatear (*Oenanthe pleschanka*)
Black-eared Wheatear (*Oenanthe hispanica*)
Desert Wheatear (*Oenanthe deserti*)
Rufous-tailed Rock Thrush (*Monticola saxatilis*)
Blue Rock Thrush (*Monticola solitarius*)

Old World Flycatchers (Muscicapidae)

Spotted Flycatcher (*Muscicapa striata*)

Sunbirds (Nectariniidae)

Purple Sunbird (*Cinnyris asiaticus*)

Sparrows, Snowfinches and Allies (Passeridae)

House Sparrow (*Passer domesticus*)
Golden-backed Weaver (*Ploceus jacksoni*)

Waxbills (Estrildidae)

Indian Silverbill (*Lonchura malabarica*)

Pipits and Wagtails (Motacillidae)

Yellow Wagtail (*Motacilla flava*)
Citrine Wagtail (*Motacilla citreola*)
Grey Wagtail (*Motacilla cinerea*)
White Wagtail (*Motacilla alba*)
Richard's Pipit (*Anthus richardi*)
Tawny Pipit (*Anthus campestris*)
Tree Pipit (*Anthus trivialis*)
Meadow Pipit (*Anthus pratensis*)
Red-throated Pipit (*Anthus cervinus*)
Water Pipit (*Anthus spinoletta*)

Buntings and New World Sparrows (Emberizidae)

Corn Bunting (*Emberiza calandra*)
Cinereous Bunting (*Emberiza cineracea*)
Orlolan Bunting (*Emberiza hortulana*)
Black-headed Bunting (*Emberiza melanocephala*)