**NORTHERN FARM**

(DIEPSLOOT NATURE RESERVE)

## Bird Checklist



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296 species

This bird list includes all species confirmed as occurring on the farm since 1985. The abundance and seasonality codes give an indication of the likelihood of seeing each species. Please report any additional species to André Marx – details below.

Northern Farm (also known as the Diepsloot Nature Reserve) is a government gazetted nature reserve. The Northern Farm Recreational User Group (NFRUG) is engaged in managing recreational actives on the farm. Included is a strategy for the preservation of the area as a nature reserve as well as plans for the provision of environmental education activities. For more information about birding-related activities contact André Marx at

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**A = Abundance Code**

**1: Common – regularly recorded**

**2: Scarce – occasionally recorded**

**3: Uncommon – seldom recorded**

**4: Vagrant – local rarity**

**a: Summer Migrant – Eurasian or intra- African summer visitors (mostly Sep-Apr)**

**b: Winter Migrant – regional or altitudinal visitor (mostly May-Sep)**

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|  | **Species** | A |
|  | Apalis, Bar-throated | 2 |
|  | Avocet, Pied | 3 |
|  | Babbler, Arrow-marked | 2 |
|  | Barbet, Black-collared | 1 |
|  | Barbet, Crested | 1 |
|  | Batis, Chinspot | 3 |
|  | Bee-eater, European | 2a |
|  | Bee-eater, White-fronted | 2 |
|  | Bishop, Southern Red | 1 |
|  | Bishop, Yellow-crowned (Golden) | 2 |
|  | Bittern, Little | 2 |
|  | Bokmakierie | 2 |
|  | Boubou, Southern | 1 |
|  | Bulbul, Dark-capped (Black-eyed) | 1 |
|  | Bunting, Cinnamon-breasted (Rock) | 3 |
|  | Bush-Shrike, Orange-breasted | 4 |
|  | Buttonquail, Kurrichane | 2 |
|  | Buzzard, Common (Steppe) | 1a |
|  | Buzzard, European Honey | 2a |
|  | Canary, Black-throated | 1 |
|  | Canary, Yellow | 3 |
|  | Canary, Yellow-fronted (Yellow-eyed) | 1 |
|  | Chat, Ant-eating | 3 |
|  | Cisticola, Cloud | 2 |
|  | Cisticola, Desert | 2 |
|  | Cisticola, Levaillant's | 1 |
|  | Cisticola, Rattling | 3 |
|  | Cisticola, Wing-snapping (Ayres's) | 2 |
|  | Cisticola, Zitting (Fan-tailed) | 1 |
|  | Coot, Red-knobbed | 1 |
|  | Cormorant, Reed | 1 |
|  | Cormorant, White-breasted | 1 |
|  | Corncrake | 3a |
|  | Coucal, Burchell's | 1 |
|  | Courser, Temminck’s | 2 |
|  | Crake, African | 3a |
|  | Crake, Baillon’s | 3 |
|  | Crake, Black | 1 |
|  | Crane, Blue | 4 |
|  | Crombec, Long-billed | 3 |
|  | Crow, Cape (Black) | 3 |
|  | Crow, Pied | 1 |
|  | Cuckoo Hawk, African | 3 |
|  | Cuckoo, African | 3a |
|  | Cuckoo, Common (European) | 3a |
|  | Cuckoo, Diederick | 1a |
|  | Cuckoo, Jacobin | 2a |
|  | Cuckoo, Levaillant’s (Striped) | 2a |
|  | Cuckoo, Red-chested | 2a |
|  | Darter, African | 1 |
|  | Dove, Cape Turtle | 1 |
|  | Dove, Laughing | 1 |
|  | Dove, Namaqua | 2 |
|  | Dove, Red-eyed | 1 |
|  | Dove, Rock (Feral Pigeon) | 1 |
|  | Drongo, Fork-tailed | 3 |
|  | Duck, African Black | 1 |
|  | Duck, Knob-billed (Comb) | 2 |
|  | Duck, Fulvous Whistling | 3 |
|  | Duck, Maccoa | 3 |
|  | Duck, Mallard | 2 |
|  | Duck, White-backed | 3 |
|  | Duck, White-faced Whistling | 2 |
|  | Duck, Yellow-billed | 1 |
|  | Eagle, African Fish | 1 |
|  | Eagle, African Hawk | 3 |
|  | Eagle, Black-chested Snake | 2 |
|  | Eagle, Booted | 3 |
|  | Eagle, Long-crested | 1 |
|  | Eagle, Verreauxs’ (Black) | 3 |
|  | Egret, Western Cattle | 1 |
|  | Egret, Great | 2 |
|  | Egret, Little | 2 |
|  | Egret, Yellow-billed | 2 |
|  | Falcon, Amur (Eastern Red-footed) | 2a |
|  | Falcon, Lanner | 2 |
|  | Falcon, Peregrine | 3 |
|  | Falcon, (Western) Red-footed | 3a |
|  | Finch, Cuckoo | 3 |
|  | Finch, Red-headed | 2 |
|  | Finfoot, African | 4 |
|  | Firefinch, African (Blue-billed) | 3 |
|  | Firefinch, Jameson’s | 2 |
|  | Firefinch, Red-billed | 3 |
|  | Fiscal, Southern (Common) | 1 |
|  | Flamingo, Greater | 3 |
|  | Flufftail, Red-chested | 2 |
|  | Flycatcher, African Paradise | 2a |
|  | Flycatcher, Fairy | 2b |
|  | Flycatcher, Fiscal | 2 |
|  | Flycatcher, Spotted | 2a |
|  | Francolin, Coqui | 3 |
|  | Francolin, Orange River | 3 |
|  | Francolin, Red-winged | 3 |
|  | Francolin, Shelley’s | 4 |
|  | Go-away-bird (Lourie), Grey | 1 |
|  | Goose, Egyptian | 1 |
|  | Goose, Spur-winged | 1 |
|  | Goshawk, Gabar | 2 |
|  | Grassbird, Cape | 1 |
|  | Grebe, Black-necked | 3 |
|  | Grebe, Great Crested | 1 |
|  | Grebe, Little (Dabchick) | 1 |
|  | Greenshank, Common | 2a |
|  | Guineafowl, Helmeted | 1 |
|  | Gull, Grey-headed | 2 |
|  | Hamerkop | 2 |
|  | Harrier, African Marsh | 3 |
|  | Hawk, African Harrier- (Gymnogene) | 3 |
|  | Helmet-Shrike, White-crested | 4 |
|  | Heron, Black (Black Egret) | 2 |
|  | Heron, Black-crowned Night | 2 |
|  | Heron, Black-headed | 1 |
|  | Heron, Goliath | 2 |
|  | Heron, Green-backed | 2 |
|  | Heron, Grey | 1 |
|  | Heron, Purple | 2 |
|  | Heron, Rufous-bellied | 4 |
|  | Heron, Squacco | 2 |
|  | Hobby, Eurasian | 2a |
|  | Honeybird, Brown-backed (Sharp-b.) | 3 |
|  | Honeyguide, Greater | 3 |
|  | Honeyguide, Lesser | 2 |
|  | Hoopoe, African | 2 |
|  | Hornbill, African Grey | 2 |
|  | Ibis, African Sacred | 1 |
|  | Ibis, Glossy | 2 |
|  | Ibis, Hadeda | 1 |
|  | Indigobird (Widowfinch), Purple | 3 |
|  | Jacana, African | 3 |
|  | Kestrel, Greater | 2 |
|  | Kestrel, Lesser | 2a |
|  | Kestrel, Rock | 3 |
|  | Kingfisher, Brown-hooded | 2 |
|  | Kingfisher, Giant | 2 |
|  | Kingfisher, Half-collared | 2 |
|  | Kingfisher, Malachite | 2 |
|  | Kingfisher, Pied | 2 |
|  | Kingfisher, Woodland | 3a |
|  | Kite, Black | 2a |
|  | Kite, Black-shouldered | 1 |
|  | Kite, Yellow-billed | 1a |
|  | Korhaan, Northern Black | 2 |
|  | Lapwing (Plover), African Wattled | 1 |
|  | Lapwing (Plover), Blacksmith | 1 |
|  | Lapwing (Plover), Crowned | 1 |
|  | Lark, Dusky | 4a |
|  | Lark, Eastern Clapper | 3 |
|  | Lark, Melodious | 3 |
|  | Lark, Red-capped | 2 |
|  | Lark, Rufous-naped | 2 |
|  | Lark, Spike-heeled | 3 |
|  | Longclaw, Cape (Orange-throated) | 1 |
|  | Mannikin, Bronze | 2 |
|  | Martin, Banded | 3a |
|  | Martin, Brown-throated | 1 |
|  | Martin, Common House | 2a |
|  | Martin, Rock | 2 |
|  | Martin, Sand | 2a |
|  | Moorhen, Common | 1 |
|  | Moorhen, Lesser | 4 |
|  | Mousebird, Red-faced | 1 |
|  | Mousebird, Speckled | 1 |
|  | Myna, Common (Indian) | 1 |
|  | Neddicky | 1 |
|  | Openbill, African | 4 |
|  | Oriole, Black-headed | 3 |
|  | Osprey | 4a |
|  | Owl, African Grass | 3 |
|  | Owl, Barn | 2 |
|  | Owl, Marsh | 2 |
|  | Owl, Southern White-faced | 4 |
|  | Owl, Spotted Eagle- | 2 |
|  | Painted-snipe, Greater | 3 |
|  | Parakeet, Rose-ringed | 3 |
|  | Pigeon, African Olive (Rameron) | 2 |
|  | Pigeon, Speckled (Rock) | 1 |
|  | Pipit, African (Grassveld) | 1 |
|  | Pipit, Buffy | 2 |
|  | Pipit, Long-billed | 3 |
|  | Pipit, Plain-backed | 3 |
|  | Plover, Three-banded | 1 |
|  | Pochard, Southern | 2 |
|  | Pratincole, Black-winged | 3a |
|  | Prinia, Black-chested | 1 |
|  | Prinia, Tawny-flanked | 1 |
|  | Puffback, Black-backed | 2 |
|  | Quail, Common | 2 |
|  | Quailfinch, African | 2 |
|  | Quelea, Red-billed | 2 |
|  | Rail, African | 2 |
|  | Robin-chat, Cape | 1 |
|  | Robin-chat, White-throated | 3 |
|  | Robin, White-browed Scrub | 3 |
|  | Roller, European | 3a |
|  | Roller, Lilac-breasted | 4 |
|  | Ruff | 3a |
|  | Sandpiper, Common | 3a |
|  | Sandpiper, Green | 3a |
|  | Sandpiper, Marsh | 3a |
|  | Sandpiper, Wood | 2a |
|  | Secretarybird | 4 |
|  | Seedeater (Canary), Streaky-headed | 2 |
|  | Shelduck, South African | 3 |
|  | Shikra (Little Banded Goshawk) | 3 |
|  | Shoveler, Cape | 2 |
|  | Shrike, Crimson-breasted | 3 |
|  | Shrike, Lesser Grey | 2a |
|  | Shrike, Red-backed | 2a |
|  | Snipe, African (Ethiopian) | 2 |
|  | Sparrow, Cape | 1 |
|  | Sparrow, House | 1 |
|  | Sparrow, Southern Grey-headed | 1 |
|  | Sparrowhawk, Black | 2 |
|  | Sparrowhawk, Little | 2 |
|  | Sparrowhawk, Ovambo | 1 |
|  | Sparrowlark, Chestnut-backed | 3 |
|  | Sparrow-weaver, White-browed | 3 |
|  | Spoonbill, African | 2 |
|  | Spurfowl (Francolin), Swainson's | 1 |
|  | Starling, Cape Glossy | 1 |
|  | Starling, Common (European) | 4 |
|  | Starling, Pied | 2 |
|  | Starling, Red-winged | 2 |
|  | Starling, Wattled | 3 |
|  | Stilt, Black-winged | 2 |
|  | Stint, Little | 3a |
|  | Stonechat, African | 1 |
|  | Stork, Abdim’s | 3a |
|  | Stork, Black | 4 |
|  | Stork, Marabou | 4 |
|  | Stork, White | 2a |
|  | Stork, Yellow-billed | 3 |
|  | Sunbird, Amethyst (Black) | 1 |
|  | Sunbird, White-bellied | 2 |
|  | Swallow, Barn (European) | 1a |
|  | Swallow, Greater Striped | 1a |
|  | Swallow, Lesser Striped | 2a |
|  | Swallow, Pearl-breasted | 3 |
|  | Swallow, Red-breasted | 2a |
|  | Swallow, South African Cliff | 2a |
|  | Swallow, White-throated | 1a |
|  | Swamphen, African (Purple) | 1 |
|  | Swift, African Black | 3 |
|  | Swift, African Palm | 1 |
|  | Swift, Alpine | 3 |
|  | Swift, Common (European) | 2a |
|  | Swift, Horus | 3 |
|  | Swift, Little | 1 |
|  | Swift, White-rumped | 1a |
|  | Tchagra, Black-crowned | 3 |
|  | Tchagra, Brown-crowned (Three-str.) | 3 |
|  | Teal, Cape | 3 |
|  | Teal, Hottentot | 3 |
|  | Teal, Red-billed | 2 |
|  | Tern, Caspian | 3 |
|  | Tern, Whiskered | 3 |
|  | Tern, White-winged | 3a |
|  | Thick-knee (Dikkop), Spotted | 1 |
|  | Thick-knee (Dikkop), Water | 4 |
|  | Thrush, Groundscraper | 3 |
|  | Thrush, Karoo | 1 |
|  | Thrush, Kurrichane | 3 |
|  | Tit-Babbler, Chestnut-vented | 3 |
|  | Vulture, Cape | 3 |
|  | Wagtail, African Pied | 3 |
|  | Wagtail, Cape | 1 |
|  | Wagtail, Western Yellow | 2a |
|  | Warbler, (European) Marsh | 1a |
|  | Warbler, (European) Sedge | 2a |
|  | Warbler, African Reed (Afr. Marsh) | 1a |
|  | Warbler, Dark-capped Yellow | 3 |
|  | Warbler, Garden | 3a |
|  | Warbler, Great Reed | 2a |
|  | Warbler, Icterine | 3a |
|  | Warbler, Lesser Swamp (C. Reed) | 1 |
|  | Warbler, Little Rush (Afr. Sedge) | 1 |
|  | Warbler, Willow | 1a |
|  | Waxbill, Blue | 3 |
|  | Waxbill, Common | 1 |
|  | Waxbill, Orange-breasted | 2 |
|  | Weaver, Cape | 2 |
|  | Weaver, Southern Masked | 1 |
|  | Weaver, Thick-billed | 2 |
|  | Weaver, Village (Spotted-backed) | 3 |
|  | Wheatear, Capped | 2b |
|  | White-eye, Cape | 1 |
|  | Whydah, Long-tailed Paradise | 3 |
|  | Whydah, Pin-tailed | 1 |
|  | Widowbird, Long-tailed | 1 |
|  | Widowbird, Red-collared | 1 |
|  | Widowbird, White-winged | 1 |
|  | Wood-Hoopoe, Green (Red-billed) | 2 |
|  | Woodpecker, Cardinal | 2 |
|  | Woodpecker, Golden-tailed | 3 |
|  | Wryneck, Red-throated | 2 |
|  | Additional species |
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