

**AFRICAN WATERBIRD CENSUS (AfWC)
CENSUS FORM SOUTHERN AFRICA**



COMPILER'S name and address:

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Namibia

DATE OF COUNT 15 & 16 February 2014

TIME OF DAY: 09:00 to 15:00

VISIBILITY: Good %

COUNTRY: Namibia

NAME OF SITE: Walvis Bay Ramsar site

SITE CODE: 48

PROVINCE/STATE: Erongo region

NEAREST LARGE TOWN: Walvis Bay

WAY OF COUNTING: On foot & from vehicle Aerial on Foot Vehicle Boat Mixed

HAS THE SITE BEEN COUNTED BEFORE? Yes YES NO

IF COUNTED BEFORE AS PART OF A LARGER SITE, WHICH SITE(S)?

COVERAGE OF THE WETLAND (APPROX.): 90% %

CONDITION OF THE WETLAND: wet, modified (e.g. wet, dry, polluted, modified)

TYPE OF COUNT: TOTAL SAMPLE

ACCURACY: estimate ACTUAL ESTIMATES

PRESENCE/ABSENCE If no counts are made, please record presence with a 'Tick' ()

SITE STATUS (protection/management): National Park National Park Nature Reserve Private No Status Other (please specify)

DISTURBANCE: Low flying aircraft MOTOR BOATS LOW-FLYING AIRCRAFT FISHING

HUNTING/TRAPPING OTHER (Specify)

BREEDING BIRDS: Please mark any currently breeding species with a 'B' (and indicate number of pairs if known)

GREBES Total 1333 B

Little Grebe *Tachybaptus ruficollis* TACRU

Great Crested Grebe *Podiceps cristatus* PODCR

Black-necked Grebe *Podiceps nigricollis* PODNI 1333

PELICANS Total 1281

Great White Pelican *Pelecanus onocrotalus* PELON 1281

Pink-backed Pelican *Pelecanus rufescens* PELRU

Unidentified pelicans *Pelecanus spp.* PELEC

CORMORANTS & DARTER Total 3684

White-breasted Cormorant *Phalacrocorax lucidus* PHACA 63

Cape Cormorant *Phalacrocorax capensis* PHACS 3621

Bank Cormorant *Phalacrocorax neglectus* PHANE

Reed Cormorant *Phalacrocorax africanus* PHAAF

Crowned Cormorant *Phalacrocorax coronatus* PHACO

Unidentified cormorants *Phalacrocorax spp.* PHALA

African Darter *Anhinga rufa* ANHRU

HERONS & EGRETS Total 88

Grey Heron *Ardea cinerea* ARDCI 30

Black-headed Heron *Ardea melanocephala* ARDME

Goliath Heron *Ardea goliath* ARDGO

Purple Heron *Ardea purpurea* ARDPU

Great Egret *Egretta alba* EGRAL

Slaty Egret *Egretta vinaceigula* EGRVI

Black Heron *Egretta ardesiaca* EGRAR

Yellow-billed Egret *Egretta intermedia* EGRIN

Little Egret *Egretta garzetta* EGRGA 57

Cattle Egret *Bubulcus ibis* BUBIB 1

Unidentified egrets *Egretta/Bubulcus spp.* EGRET

Squacco Heron *Ardeola ralloides* ARDRA

Rufous-bellied Heron *Ardeola rufiventris* ARDRU

Green-backed Heron *Butorides striata* BUTST

Black-crowned Night-heron *Nycticorax nycticorax* NYCNY

White-backed Night-heron *Gorsachius leuconotus* NYCLE

Little Bittern *Ixobrychus minutus* IXOMI

Dwarf Bittern *Ixobrychus sturmii* IXOST

Eurasian Bittern *Botaurus stellaris* BOTST

Unidentified Ardeidae *Ardeidae spp.* ARDEI

STORKS Total 0

Yellow-billed Stork *Mycteria ibis* MYCIB

African Openbill *Anastomus lamelligerus* ANALA

Black Stork *Ciconia nigra* CICNI

Abdim's Stork *Ciconia abdimii* CICAB

Woolly-necked Stork *Ciconia episcopus* CICEP

White Stork *Ciconia ciconia* CICCI

Saddle-billed Stork *Ephippiorhynchus senegalensis* EPHSE

Marabou Stork *Leptoptilos crumeniferus* LEPCR

Unidentified Storks *Ciconiidae spp.* STORK

IBISES & SPOONBILLS Total 0

African Sacred Ibis *Threskiornis aethiopicus* THRAE

Southern Bald Ibis *Geronticus calvus* GERCA

Hadedda Ibis *Bostrychia hagedash* HAGHA

Glossy Ibis *Plegadis falcinellus* PLEFA

African Spoonbill *Platalea alba* PLAAAL

HAMERKOP & SHOEBILL Total 0

Hamerkop *Scopus umbretta* SCOUM

Shoebill *Balaeniceps rex* BALRX

FLAMINGOS Total 46049

Greater Flamingo *Phoenicopterus ruber* PHORO 22210

Lesser Flamingo *Phoenicopterus minor* PHOMI 23839

Unidentified Flamingos *Phoenicopteridae spp.* PHOEN

CRANES	Total	0
Wattled Crane <i>Bugeranus carunculatus</i>	BUGCA	
Blue Crane <i>Anthropoides paradisea</i>	ANTPA	
Grey Crowned Crane <i>Balearica regulorum</i>	BALRE	
GEESE & DUCKS	Total	2654
Fulvous Duck <i>Dendrocygna bicolor</i>	DENBI	
White-faced Duck <i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>	DENVI	
White-backed Duck <i>Thalassornis leuconotus</i>	THALE	
Spur-winged Goose <i>Plectropterus gambensis</i>	PLEGA	
Comb Duck <i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>	SARME	
South African Shelduck <i>Tadorna cana</i>	TADCA	6
Egyptian Goose <i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i>	ALOAE	
African Pygmy-Goose <i>Nettapus auritus</i>	NETAU	
African Black Duck <i>Anas sparsa</i>	ANASP	
Cape Teal <i>Anas capensis</i>	ANACA	2629
Yellow-billed Duck <i>Anas undulata</i>	ANAUN	
Red-billed Teal <i>Anas erythrorhyncha</i>	ANAER	
Hottentot Teal <i>Anas hottentota</i>	ANAHO	
Cape Shoveler <i>Anas smithii</i>	ANASM	
Southern Pochard <i>Netta erythrophthalma</i>	NETER	
Maccoa Duck <i>Oxyura maccoa</i>	OXYMA	
Unidentified ducks <i>Anatidae spp.</i>	DUCKS	19
RAILS, GALLINULES & COOTS	Total	0
African Rail <i>Rallus caerulescens</i>	RALCA	
Red-chested Fluftail <i>Sarothrura rufa</i>	COTRU	
Streaky-breasted Fluftail <i>Sarothrura boehmi</i>	COTBO	
Corn Crake <i>Crex crex</i>	CRECR	
African Crake <i>Crecopsis egregia</i>	POREG	
Black Crake <i>Amauornis flavirostra</i>	PORFL	
Baillon's Crake <i>Porzana pusilla</i>	PORPU	
Common Moorhen <i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	GALCH	
Lesser Moorhen <i>Gallinula angulata</i>	GALAN	
Allen's Gallinule <i>Porphyrio alleni</i>	GALAL	
African Purple Swamphen <i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	PORPO	
Red-knobbed Coot <i>Fulica cristata</i>	FULCR	
Unidentified rallids <i>Rallidae spp.</i>	RAILS	
FINFOOT & JACANAS	Total	0
African Finfoot <i>Podica senegalensis</i>	PODSE	
Lesser Jacana <i>Microparra capensis</i>	MICCA	
African Jacana <i>Actophilornis africanus</i>	ACTAF	
WADERS/SHOREBIRDS	Total	36651
Greater Painted-snipe <i>Rostratula benghalensis</i>	ROSBE	
African Black Oystercatcher <i>Haematopus moquini</i>	HAEMO	125
Black-winged Stilt <i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	HIMHI	583
Pied Avocet <i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>	RECAV	1297
Spotted Thick-knee <i>Burhinus capensis</i>	BURCA	
Water Thick-knee <i>Burhinus vermiculatus</i>	BURVE	
Burchell's Courser <i>Cursorius rufus</i>	CURRU	
Temminck's Courser <i>Cursorius temminckii</i>	CURTE	
Collared Pratincole <i>Glareola pratincola</i>	GLAPR	
Black-winged Pratincole <i>Glareola nordmanni</i>	GLANO	
Rock Pratincole <i>Glareola nuchalis</i>	GLANU	
Long-toed Lapwing <i>Vanellus crassirostris</i>	VANCR	
Blacksmith Lapwing <i>Vanellus armatus</i>	VANAR	
White-crowned Lapwing <i>Vanellus albiceps</i>	VANAL	
Senegal Lapwing <i>Vanellus lugubris</i>	VANLU	
Black-winged Lapwing <i>Vanellus melanopterus</i>	VANME	
Crowned Lapwing <i>Vanellus coronatus</i>	VANCO	
African Wattled Lapwing <i>Vanellus senegallus</i>	VANSE	
Unidentified <i>Vanellus plover spp.</i>	PLUVI	
Grey Plover <i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	PLUSQ	1046
Common Ringed Plover <i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	CHAH1	299
Kittlitz's Plover <i>Charadrius pecuarius</i>	CHAPE	
Three-banded Plover <i>Charadrius tricollaris</i>	CHATR	
White-fronted Plover <i>Charadrius marginatus</i>	CHAMA	690
Chestnut-banded Plover <i>Charadrius pallidus</i>	CHAPA	3430
Lesser Sand Plover <i>Charadrius mongolus</i>	CHAMO	
Caspian Plover <i>Charadrius asiaticus</i>	CHAAS	
Unidentified <i>Charadrius plovers Charadrius spp.</i>	CHARA	
Black-tailed Godwit <i>Limosa limosa</i>	LIMLI	
Bar-tailed Godwit <i>Limosa lapponica</i>	LIMLA	1012
Common Whimbrel <i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	NUMPH	68
Eurasian Curlew <i>Numenius arquata</i>	NUMAR	1
Marsh Sandpiper <i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>	TRIST	7
Common Greenshank <i>Tringa nebularia</i>	TRINE	130
Green Sandpiper <i>Tringa ochropus</i>	TRIOC	
Wood Sandpiper <i>Tringa glareola</i>	TRIGL	
Terek Sandpiper <i>Xenus cinereus</i>	XENCI	1
Common Sandpiper <i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	ACTHY	
Ruddy Turnstone <i>Arenaria interpres</i>	AREIN	693
African Snipe <i>Gallinago nigripennis</i>	GALNI	
Great Snipe <i>Gallinago media</i>	GALMD	
Red Knot <i>Calidris canutus</i>	CALCA	
Sanderling <i>Calidris alba</i>	CALAA	1545
Little Stint <i>Calidris minuta</i>	CALMI	1003
Curlew Sandpiper <i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	CALFE	14182
Unidentified <i>Calidris sandpipers Calidris spp.</i>	CALID	10469
Ruff <i>Philomachus pugnax</i>	PHIPU	70
Unidentified waders <i>Charadrii spp.</i>	WADER	
GULLS, TERNS & SKIMMER	Total	9714
Kelp Gull <i>Larus dominicanus</i>	LARDO	1553
Grey-headed Gull <i>Larus cirrocephalus</i>	LARCI	6
Hartlaub's Gull <i>Larus hartlaubii</i>	LARHA	1674
Unidentified gulls <i>Larus spp.</i>	LARUS	
Black Tern <i>Chlidonias niger</i>	CHLNI	1095
Whiskered Tern <i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>	CHLHY	
White-winged Tern <i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>	CHLLE	38
Unidentified marsh terns <i>Chlidonias spp.</i>	CHLID	

Gull-billed Tern <i>Sterna nilotica</i>	GELNI	
Caspian Tern <i>Sterna caspia</i>	STECA	12
Common Tern <i>Sterna hirundo</i>	STEH	3961
Arctic Tern <i>Sterna paradisaea</i>	STEPA	
Damara Tern <i>Sterna balaenarum</i>	STEBA	177
Little Tern <i>Sterna albifrons</i>	STEAL	
Swift Tern <i>Sterna bergii</i>	STEBR	425
Lesser Crested Tern <i>Sterna bengalensis</i>	STEBE	
Sandwich Tern <i>Sterna sandvicensis</i>	STESA	337
Unidentified <i>Sterna</i> terns <i>Sterna spp.</i>	STERN	436
African Skimmer <i>Rynchops flavirostris</i>	RYNFL	

BIRDS OF PREY **Total** **0**

Osprey <i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	PANHA	
African Fish-Eagle <i>Haliaeetus vocifer</i>	HALVO	
African Marsh-Harrier <i>Circus ranivorus</i>	CIRRA	
Western Marsh-Harrier <i>Circus aeruginosus</i>	CIRAE	
Montagu's Harrier <i>Circus pygargus</i>	CIRPY	
Pallid Harrier <i>Circus macrourus</i>	CIRMA	
Unidentified harriers <i>Circus spp.</i>	CIRCU	
Marsh Owl <i>Asio capensis</i>	ASICA	

ADDITIONAL SPECIES **Total** **14**

African Penguin <i>Spheniscus demersus</i>		
Cape Gannet <i>Morus capensis</i>		1
Eurasian Oystercatcher <i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>		
Common Redshank <i>Tringa totanus</i>		
Red-necked Phalarope <i>Phalaropus lobatus</i>		13
Royal Tern <i>Sterna maxima</i>		
Pied Kingfisher <i>Ceryle rudis</i>		
Giant Kingfisher <i>Megaceryle maximus</i>		
Malachite Kingfisher <i>Alcedo cristata</i>		

TOTALS 101468 **BIRDS** of 41 **SPECIES**