



A [Tropical Birding](#) CUSTOM PHOTOGRAPHY tour

EASTERN AUSTRALIA PHOTO JOURNEY

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Flame Robin was a colourful highlight of our time in Tasmania

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INTRODUCTION

Australia is a vast and incredibly diverse country, and this dedicated photo tour is designed to take in as much of the diversity found along this enormous island's east coast as possible. As such we cover a huge range of habitats and landscapes, from the tropical rainforest of north Queensland to the cool and windy shores of Tasmania, along the way photographing as much of its environmental riches as possible. Given Australia's level of development we also enjoyed extremely comfortable accommodation, great food and easy journeys throughout the tour.

Our tour took in three very different climates over the stretch of this enormous coast. We started in the tropical climate of north Queensland where we headed out to the Great Barrier Reef for a refreshing dip in the ocean and our first memory card filled with nesting tropical seabirds on an idyllic sand cay. Next we moved into the forests and along the fringe of the outback, based at the lovely Kingfisher Park Lodge, seeking forest jewels like Golden Bowerbird, Southern Cassowary and Noisy Pitta, and drier-land specialists like our unforgettable encounter with a magnificent displaying Australian Bustard. Around the Hypipamee area we enjoyed a bounty of nocturnal mammals and a very special daytime encounter with several Platypus.

Moving on to Brisbane we made our way deep into the outback at Cunnamulla, along the way shooting a whole host of parrot species (including up to 8 species in a morning), feisty Shingleback Skink, and our first Variegated and Superb Fairy-Wrens of the trip. These were of course upstaged by Splendid Fairy-Wren at Cunnamulla where we also found Red-capped Robin, the stunning Major Mitchell's Cockatoo, and even more parrot species. Making our way back east we had several impromptu shoots in patches of forest leading up to Dalby, a wildly productive session in a local man's garden, and finally made our way to the world famous O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat. This was undoubtedly photography at its most gluttonous – the subjects are bright and beautiful, they're entirely unafraid of humans, and the accommodation and food is simply top notch. Highlights here included the gaudy Regent Bowerbird, the dapper Satin Bowerbird, ultra-tame King Parrot and Crimson Rosella and some comical Wonga Pigeons for some lucky members of the group. Albert's Lyrebird remained quite shy but was undeniably a highlight.

The third and final part of our journey took us to the storm-beaten shores of Tasmania where we explored Bruny Island to photograph Tasmania's endemic birds and some others besides including stunning Flame Robin, Hooded Plover, and Strong-billed, Crescent, Black-headed and Yellow-throated Honeyeater. We also spent time at Mount Wellington and Mount Fields National Park where we shot the bonbon-esque Pink Robin, glowing Scarlet Robin and fantastic scenery, including some very impressive waterfalls.

Days 1 - 6: Tropical Queensland

The warm, humid and tropical atmosphere of Queensland welcomed us to Cairns, gateway to the Great Barrier Reef, was an ideal way to start this tour. An afternoon spent around the the local cemetery and at some local lakes on the first day produced the first killer shots of common birds like **Orange-footed Scrubfowl**, **Bush Stone-Curlew** and **Green Pygmy Geese**, whilst we also managed some nice shots of **Spangled Drongo**, **Comb-crested Jacana** and, back at the car park, we managed a brief shoot with some sunset **Red-backed Fairy-Wren**.



Red-backed Fairy-Wren (Lisle Gwynn)

Whilst in Cairns we could hardly ignore the enormous and world famous Great Barrier Reef. Day 2 was spent mostly afloat on a boat trip out to a coral cay on the reef itself where we had some great hours in superb light shooting plentiful **Sooty Tern**, **Greater Crested Tern**, **Brown Noddy**, **Silver Gull**, **Brown Booby** and **Black-naped Tern**, all mid-courtship and starting to nest on the island. The photo opportunities were endless, but we were mindful to spend time admiring the reef from where it is most easily seen – in the water! An afternoon session of snorkeling, or diving for some, was thoroughly enjoyed from our floating home for the day.



Sooty Tern (Lisle Gwynn)



Brown Booby (Lisle Gwynn)



Brown Noddy (Lisle Gwynn)

After our day on the reef the contrast of tropical rainforest was quite stark, but it was with great excitement that everyone rose at the crack of dawn, chose their chair, filled their coffee mug and began to shoot at the feeders in the gardens of Kingfisher Park Lodge. The birds were bountiful and active and we got great shots of **Rainbow Lorikeet**, **Australian Brush-Turkey**, **Chestnut-breasted Mannakin**, **Red-browed Firetail** and **Bar-shouldered Dove** but soon it was time to head out for our morning foray. We remained local and focused on flowering trees in the Mount Molloy area with some great success. During the morning we nailed great shots of, amongst others, **Yellow**, **Regal** and **Scarlet Honeyeaters**, **Black-shouldered Kite**, **Great Bowerbird** and, the undisputed group favourite, the super good looking **White-cheeked Honeyeater**. Some time spent at the local school saw us photograph a **Great Bowerbird** bower, the bowerbird itself, as well as some confiding **Rainbow Lorikeets** and **Red-winged Parrots**. After lunch we made our way to another key site where we spent several hours among an alien-looking granite-boulder hillside photographing the most tame wallabies you will find anywhere. To boot, they're also rare and endemic to this tiny area – the **Mareeba Rock Wallaby**. Here we also photographed **Diamond Dove** and the tricky-to-find **Squatter Pigeon** and watched the face-off between a wallaby and a **Carpet Python**. On the way back to our lodge we stopped at a golf course where dozens of **Eastern Grey Kangaroo** were bouncing and moving about the grass.



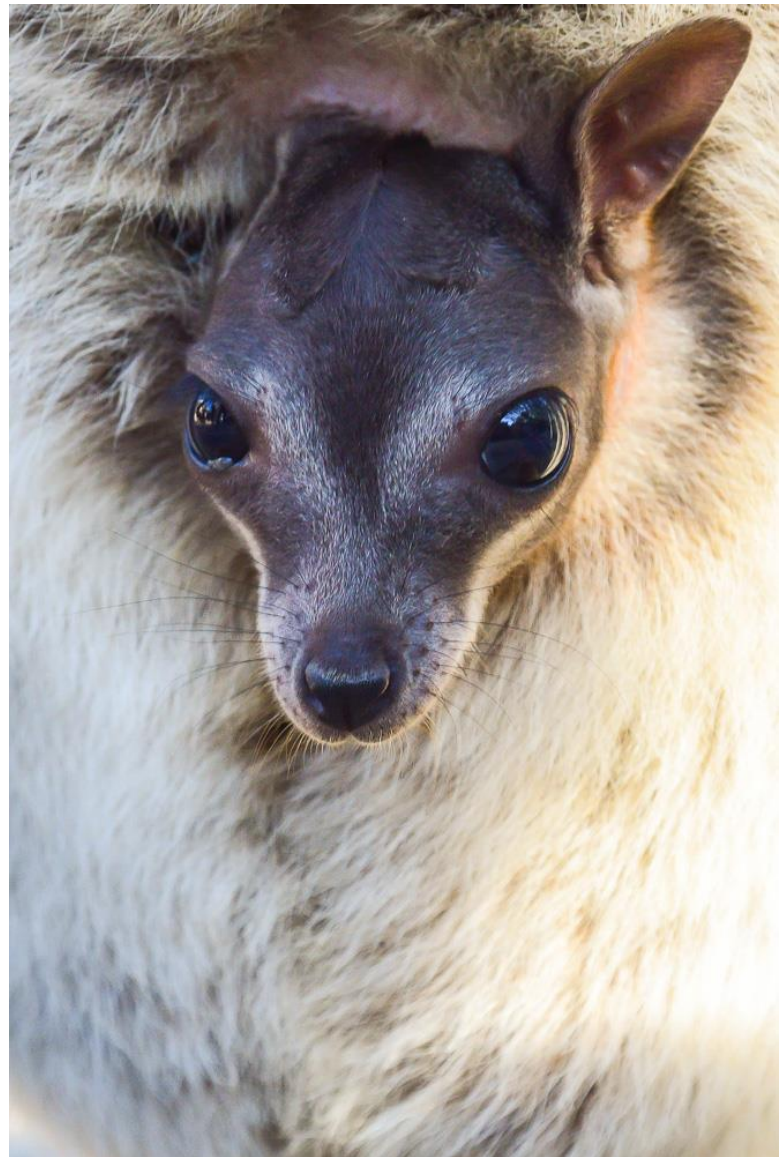
White-cheeked Honeyeater (Lisle Gwynn)



Peaceful Dove (Iain Campbell)

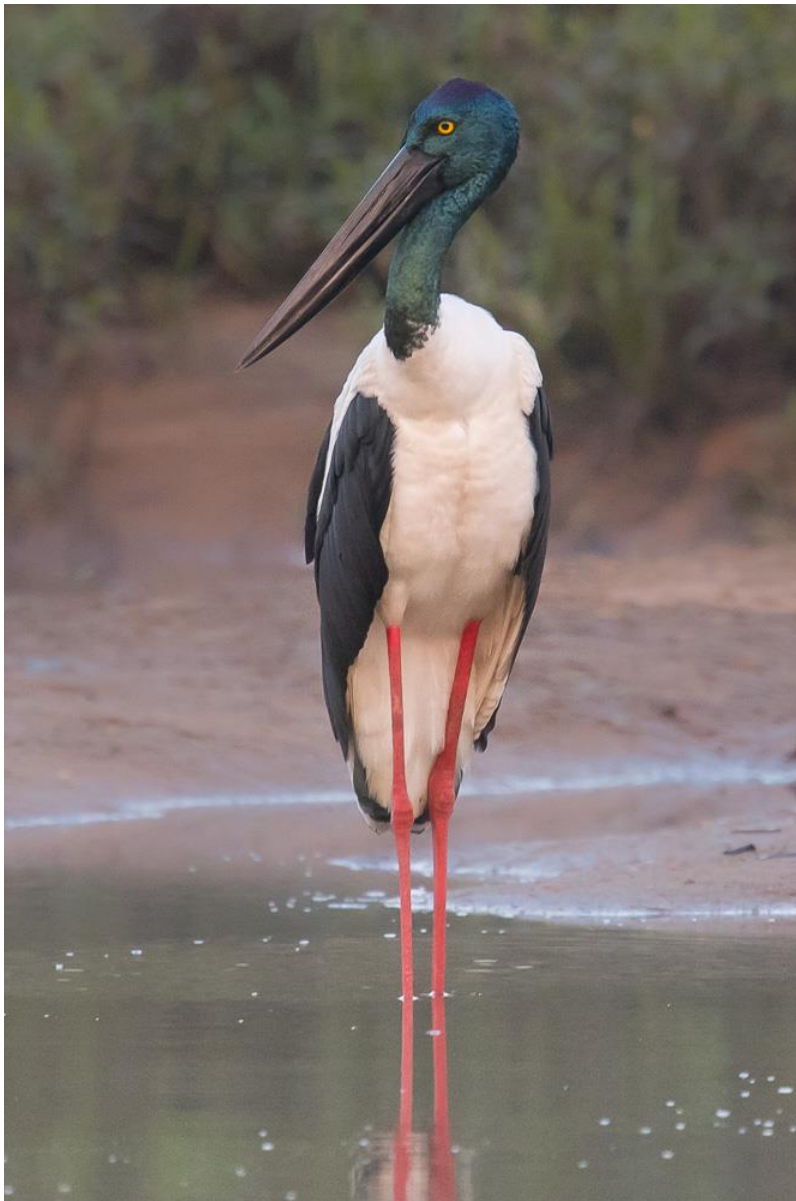


Rainbow Lorikeet (Iain Campbell)



Squatter Pigeon and Mareeba Rock Wallaby joey (Lisle Gwynn)

A boat cruise is a highlight of any photography tour, there's no question about it. For our third morning we cruised the Daintree River on our own private boat, looking for anything and everything that presented a good opportunity. The results included 5 species of kingfisher photographed (**Little, Azure, Sacred, Forest Kingfishers** and **Laughing Kookaburra**), as well as **Little Pied Cormorant, Australasian Darter, Black-fronted Dotterel, Rajah Shelduck**, the giant **Black-necked Stork**, the bizarre **Papuan Frogmouth** and some friendly **Welcome Swallows**. We also had an incomparable encounter with a feisty, displaying **Great-billed Heron** which is a rarity just to see, let alone experience displaying, as well as several huge **Saltwater Crocodiles**.



Black-necked Stork (Lisle Gwynn)



Rajah Shelduck (Iain Campbell)



Papuan Frogmouth (Lisle Gwynn)



Azure Kingfisher (Iain Campbell)



Great-billed Heron (Lisle Gwynn)



Cattle Egrets leaving roost (Lisle Gwynn)

By the time we'd refueled with a hearty breakfast we were back out shooting **Olive-backed Sunbirds** in the restaurant bushes, but soon it was time to spend the remainder of the morning in the Daintree Forest in search of more secretive targets. We had good success despite the rising heat and managed shots of the spectacular **Noisy Pitta**, **Spectacled**, **Pied** and **Black-faced Monarchs**, **Spotted Catbird** and the dazzling **Wompoo Pigeon**. Once the heat had set in good and proper we retired to the lodge for the rest of the day but the shooting certainly didn't stop. The feeders at this lodge are some of the busiest of the tour and we managed good photos of new species including **Magillivray's Honeyeater** and **Pale Yellow Robin**, plus more great shots of **Rainbow Lorikeet**, **Australian Brush-Turkey**, **Chestnut-breasted Mannakin**, **Red-browed Firetail** and **Bar-shouldered Dove** among others. Some of us also visited some nearby mountain-side forest where we shot **Grey Fantail**, **Mountain Thornbill**, **Eastern Spinebill** and more **Spotted Catbird**.



Grey Fantail (Iain Campbell)



Chestnut-breasted Mannakin (Iain Campbell)



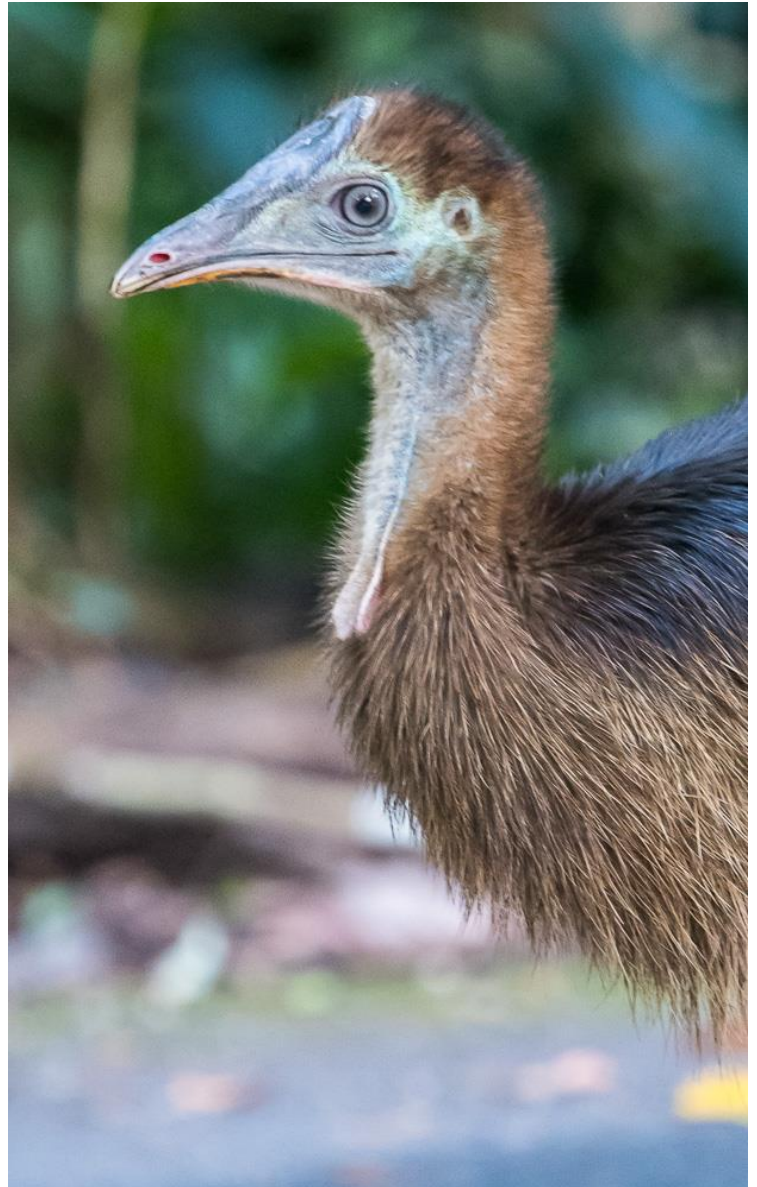
Australian Bustard (Iain Campbell)



Australian Brush-Turkey (Lisle Gwynn)

One of the highlights of this part of Queensland is the chance to try your luck with one of the most spectacular birds on the continent – **Australian Bustard**. Big, boisterous and full of character, we managed to locate around 10 birds in a couple of hours and were even privileged enough to see a male in full display, dropping its long wattle of feathers to the ground, throwing its head back and crowing to the sky. This dry-land fringe is also home to other photographic targets including **Pheasant Cuckoo**, **Striated Pardalote**, **Black-throated** and **Double-barred Finches**. A noisy group of **Apostlebirds** provided much entertainment, whilst another highlight was time spent photographing some very confiding **Galah**.

Our time around Mount Molloy had come to an end and we spent the next morning relocating to the Atherton area, a short drive from our current base. Here we spent time at Mount Hypipamee National Park in search of a large, colourful, and boisterous target: Southern Cassowary. We arrived at first light with a key target in mind, and after a short walk into the forest we found ourselves shooting a sparkling **Golden Bowerbird** at its bower, bringing moss and lichen back and forth. The walk back to the car park (favoured haunt of the cassowary) brought us photographic luck with **Grey-headed Robin**, **Tooth-billed Bowerbird**, **Bower's Shrike-Thrush** and **Golden Whistler**. In quick succession came our remaining highlights, with a loud 'sqwaaak' heralding the arrival of a curious **Victoria's Riflebird** that was well photographed by those drawing their cameras quickly, whilst a hushed but urgent beckoning from Rosita signaled the arrival of a juvenile, and magnificent, **Southern Cassowary** that strolled around the car park until we had to drive away.



Southern Cassowary (Lisle Gwynn)

A short stop just down the road gave us superb photo opportunities with hundreds of **Plumed Whistling Ducks**, the highlight of which was the constant to and fro of small flocks, allowing for unbeatable flight shots of these highly-attractive birds. A **Pacific Heron** caught our attention for a short while but before long we had to make a move to our lunch venue as bellies were beginning to rumble. We had one last highlight to come though as our lunch venue was in fact one of the most reliable places in Australia for **Platypus**, and it took a mere couple of seconds (following a short stroll) before we'd photographed our first of at least SEVEN animals – quite spectacular, and a stand out highlight of the trip for everyone.



Golden Bowerbird (Lisle Gwynn)



Grey-headed Robin (Lisle Gwynn)



Golden Whistler (Iain Campbell)



Plumed Whistling Duck (Lisle Gwynn)



Platypus (Lisle Gwynn)

After a needed break we headed out once more, this time into the darkness of the Queensland night. We made our way back to a particularly silent corner of Hypipamee National Park and met our local guides for the evening before taking a pleasant and thrilling couple of hour gentle walk in search of night critters. The walk was a resounding success with amazing encounters and great photo opportunities with **Common Brushtail, Striped, Common Ringtail, Green Ringtail, Herbert River Ringtail Possums** and **Lumholtz's Tree Kangaroo** and even a **Leaf-tailed Gecko**.



Common Brushtail Possum

After a late night there was time for a somewhat longer than normal rise on our final morning in Northern Queensland. Primarily a travel day, we still made time on the way to Cairns Airport to photograph a large group of **Red-tailed Black Cockatoos** and again near the airport for a short session with some particularly confiding **Collared Kingfishers** as well as the tricky **Varied Honeyeater**, but despite plenty of trying **Mangrove Robin** just wouldn't pose for photos. Once we were finished and packed away we took a short flight to Brisbane, a couple of hours south of Cairns, and drove to the town of Warwick, our base for the night, where we settled in and had one of the best meals of the tour.

Days 7 - 15: Central Eastern Australia & the Outback

We rose on our first morning west of Brisbane to a distinctly different atmosphere; there was dew on the grass, mist along the river, and a bitter chill in the air. With warmer clothes on than previously, we spent a long and successful morning along the river running through the town in search of some sublimely colourful company. Over the course of a few hours we managed high quality photos of cute **Red-rumped Parrots**, colourful **Rainbow Lorikeets**, mottled **Eastern Rosellas**, **Scaly-breasted Parakeets** that sparkled in the sunlight, diminutive **Little Corella** and towering **Sulphur-crested Cockatoo**, and even some less-colourful but intriguing **Maned Ducks**.



Eastern Rosella (Iain Campbell)



Scaly-breasted Lorikeet (Iain Campbell)



Red-rumped Parrot (Lisle Gwynn)

A couple of hours drive west of Warwick lays the town of Goondiwindi. Though the town is at first unassuming, we had a superb evening and morning shoot at the local botanical gardens. A lush patch of green among a distinctly more brown and fawn landscape, the gardens provided us with excellent photos of **Pale-headed Rosella**, **Red-rumped Parrot**, **Sulphur-crested Cockatoo**, **Galah**, **Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater**, some extremely vocal **Grey Butcherbird** and the undisputed highlights – **Superb Fairy-Wren**, **Variegated Fairy-Wren** and a particularly confiding **Mistletoebird**.

A long drive took us deep into the heart of the real Australian outback. This isn't the outback most tourists see, it's the real deal, and with it comes real quality wildlife. Before we had even arrived we had spent time with a feisty **Shingleback Skink**. We spent a couple of fantastic days in and around Bowra, just outside Cunnamulla, where we found more photographic subjects than we could point our lenses at. **Red-capped Robin** was particularly well enjoyed, whilst **Spotted Bowerbird** presented its bower, **Yellow-billed Spoonbill** and **White-headed Stilts** patrolled the lake, and in the surrounding vegetation we found **Brown**

Treecreeper, **Cockatiel**, **Grey-crowned Babbler**, **White-plumed Honeyeater**, **Nosiy Miner**, **Zebra Finch** and a **Mulga Parrot** gave a particularly vigorous response to our calls, whilst **Blue Bonnet** and **Mallee Ringneck** unfortunately didn't perform quite as well. The undoubted and stand out highlights of this area though were the outrageously-crested **Major Mitchell's Cockatoo** that looks more akin to a Barn Owl in its drifting, stiff-winged flight, and of course the incredible **Splendid Fairy-Wren**. Splendid Fairy-Wren is a jewel among birds, flitting quietly and rapidly among the vegetation and glowing like a bright blue lightbulb, before perching out in the open giving everyone the perfect photo set-up. Despite this, arguably the most splendid of fairy-wrens, being so co-operative, the show was very nearly stolen by several family groups of **Variegated Fairy-Wren** – arguably even better looking than Splendid. The show they put on was quite spectacular and the amount of photos taken between us must be well into the many many hundreds. The mammals out here are also quite enthralling and include enormous **Red Kangaroo**, the slightly smaller **Western Grey Kangaroo**, and some **Common Walleroo** as well. Though not a mammal, a bird of mammal-like proportions gave ample entertainment – **Emu**, complete with many comical young chicks.



Emu (Lisle Gwynn)



Mistletoebird (Iain Campbell)



Grey-crowned Babbler (Iain Campbell)



Splendid Fairy-Wren (Iain Campbell)



Variegated Fairy-Wren (Lisle Gwynn)



Red-capped Robin (Iain Campbell)

With heavy flood-risk rain on its way we made a dash for drier ground and headed back east to the town of Dalby where we spent two nights. On the way to our breakfast stop we found a nicely photographable **Brolga**, a large crane, as well as **Spotted Bowerbird**, **White-browed** and **Black-faced Woodswallows**, **Restless Flycatcher** and more **Black-fronted Dotterel**. Further along the journey we stopped in several patches of woodland just to see what we could find. This proved fantastically productive with yet more spectacular **Splendid Fairy-Wren**, **Brown-headed Honeyeater**, **Rufous Whistler**, **Varied Sittella** and a cacophony of thornbills and gerygones. Around Dalby itself we spent some of our time along the river shooting **White-throated Gerygone**, **Pale-headed Rosella**, **Noisy Miner**, **Brown** and **Buff-rumped Thornbill**. The remainder was spent tracking down more parrot shots around the town and by chance we met a man who invited us to watch his bird feeding one evening. Curious, we of course attended, and were blown away by the activity in his small front yard – there were **Black-faced Cuckooshrikes**, **Crested Pigeons**, **Magpie Larks**, **Pied Currawongs** and **Australian Magpies** by the bucket load – quite the impressive set up!



Rufous Whistler (Iain Campbell)



Brown-headed Honeyeater (Iain Campbell)



Superb Fairy-Wren (Iain Campbell)



Spotted Bowerbird (Iain Campbell)

Our time here in the central east coast of Australia was rapidly drawing to a close, but we had a couple more nights planned and had left arguably the best for last. Our final two nights here were spent at the magnificent and legendary O'Reilly's, where colourful and rare birds flaunt themselves in an almost absurd manner. We rushed our way to the lodge and settled in during the warmth of the day, and whilst Iain and Lisle went to investigate the trails for activity the group spent their time photographing **Crimson Rosellas**, **King Parrots** and the absolutely phenomenal **Regent Bowerbird** on the lodge lawns, and even on their own heads and hands – the birds here are incredibly tame and used to people.



Regent Bowerbird (Lisle Gwynn)

Over the next 48 hours or so we spent a near even split of our time on the trails and around the edge of the forest, giving us a great mix of species photographed. We encountered the tiny **Brown Thornbill**, the incredible-voiced **Green Catbird**, beautiful if subtle **White-browed** and **Yellow-throated Scrubwrens**, some incredibly showy **Eastern Whipbirds** and even the bizarre-mannered **Australian Logrunner** which rummage through the leaf litter kicking it out of their way at a 45 degree angle. We had moderate success with a difficult to draw-in **Rose Robin**, whilst **Eastern Yellow Robin** were significantly easier to photograph, sometimes in the same bush as **Eastern Spinebill** and **Lewin's Honeyeater**. **Spotted Pardalote** finally fell prey to our cameras here, having not been responsive elsewhere, whilst **Red-browed Trecreeper** and a host of honeyeater species abounded in the forest for us to point our lenses at. A highlight for some was getting to photograph yet another bird of paradise, the **Paradise Riflebird** deep along the forest trail, whilst for others it was a last-minute run-in with the incredible **Albert's Lyrebird** – complete with mimicking song reverberating through the forest. All-in-all though, it was the **Regent** and stunning purple-eyed **Satin Bowerbirds** that really stole the show and drew the most attention – how could they not?! Our night forays turned up a responding **Marbled Frogmouth** and several **Mountain Brush-tailed Possums**.



Eastern Spinebill (Lisle Gwynn)



Satin Bowerbird (Iain Campbell)



Southern Logrunner (Iain Campbell)



Pale-headed Rosella (Iain Campbell)



Spotted Pardalote (Lisle Gwynn)

Before leaving mainland Australia we had one more quest, after one more morning of photographing bowerbirds, parrots, rosellas, **Wonga Pigeons** and **Grey Shrike-Thrushes**. We made our way swiftly down the mountain to a nearby reserve the rehabilitates, releases and plays host to a good concentration of wild **Koala**. Unfortunately we couldn't find one outside of the rehabilitation centre, given the huge reserve and the difficulty with which Koalas are actually found, but we did manage to find a pair of roosting **Tawny Frogmouth** and a surprise **Pacific Baza**. After lunch we hopped on our relatively short flight and arrived in the Southern Ocean outpost of Tasmania.



Tawny Frogmouth (Lisle Gwynn)

Days 16 – 18 : Tasmania

The often windy and wet island of Tasmania was extremely kind to us during our short visit, with almost perfect weather, great light and super bird activity. The climate was once again very different to further north, with temperatures having plummeted, but we all wrapped up warm and enjoyed our couple of days here immensely.

First of all we spent an entire day on Bruny Island in search of as many Tasmanian endemics as we could possibly find. The day started well as on the short ferry ride across the sound we photographed the endemic **Black-faced Cormorant**, whilst on the other side we very quickly picked up some new 'photo lifers' at our first stop along the coast. Here both **Pied** and **Sooty Oystercatchers** waltzed up and down the shore, **Pacific** and **Kelp Gulls** drifted overhead, and a **White-bellied Sea Eagle** gave a couple of inquisitive passes. Further along the road we found some flowering trees and bushes and spent quite a while photographing the spectacular **New Holland Honeyeater**, as well as **Crescent**, **Strong-billed** and **Black-headed Honeyeaters**, **Forty-spotted Pardalote**, **Green Rosella**, **Olive Whistler** and the stunningly-adorned **Yellow Wattlebird**.



Black-headed Honeyeater (Iain Campbell)

Further along the coast, and past several more **Tasmanian Native-Hens**, we made a stop at an idyllic sandy beach to spend a while creeping up-to and alongside some squat, rotund and photogenic **Hooded Plovers**, only to be distracted by an absurdly obliging **Flame Robin**. After our fair share of frame-filling photos of the robin we moved further on and had a picnic style lunch by the ocean in the sunshine and spent an hour or so photographing **New Holland Honeyeaters** in the sunshine feeding on flowers – it doesn't get much better than that. By now activity had, uncharacteristically, died down a little so we made a dash back to the main island, via more **New Holland Honeyeaters** and **Yellow Wattlebirds**. Here we spent the remainder of the day in a small landscaped gardens outside Hobart where the undoubted stars were the **Masked Lapwings** giving great in-flight opportunities and a pair of **Yellow-throated Honeyeaters** that just wouldn't leave us alone – resulting in some truly fantastic photos across the group. As we were packing up, a **Little Wattlebird** gave us our final new bird of the day.



Hooded Plover (Lisle Gwynn)

Our final full day in Australia dawned fresh and bright and saw the group split perfectly in half, with Iain taking one group to Mount Wellington on a bird photography mission, and Lisle taking the other group to Mount Fields on a waterfalls and bird photography mission. Both groups were fantastically successful and both saw a bounty of birds as well as spectacular scenery. Both **Black** and **Grey Currawongs** were photographed well, as well as **Tasmanian Scrubtit**, **Crescent Honeyeater**, and the standout highlights of the day – both the fiery **Scarlet Robin** and the bonbon-esque ball of fluff that is known as the **Pink Robin**. Thankfully both groups saw and shot some fantastic birds and sights today before returning to Hobart just in time to pull in to the parking lot at the same time. After a superb dinner at a local Italian restaurant, and a quick dash back to Mount Fields to find a lost camera, we said our farewells after a long, fruitful and thoroughly enjoyable tour.



Yellow-throated Honeyeater (Iain Campbell)



New Holland Honeyeater (Iain Campbell)



Pink Robin (Iain Campbell)

BIRD LIST

The taxonomy of the bird list follows: Clements, James F., White, Anthony W., and Fitzpatrick, John W. The Clements Checklist of Birds of the World. Cornell, 2007.

This list is up to date with the major changes published by Cornell up until August 2014.

All birds listed here were photographed by at least one member of the group, with the majority having been photographed by most or all of the group. Those species in bold are endemic to Australia.

CASSOWARIES AND EMU: Casuariidae	
Southern Cassowary	<i>Casuarus casuarius</i>
Emu (E)	<i>Dromaius novaehollandiae</i>
MAGPIE GOOSE: Anseranatidae	
Magpie Goose	<i>Anseranas semipalmata</i>
DUCKS, GEESE AND WATERFOWL: Anatidae	
Plumed Whistling-Duck	<i>Dendrocygna eytoni</i>
Wandering Whistling-Duck	<i>Dendrocygna arcuata</i>
Black Swan	<i>Cygnus atratus</i>
Radjah Shelduck	<i>Tadorna radjah</i>
Green Pygmy-goose	<i>Nettapus pulchellus</i>
Maned Duck (E)	<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>
Pacific Black Duck	<i>Anas superciliosa</i>
MEGAPODES: Megapodiidae	
Australian Brushturkey (E)	<i>Alectura lathamii</i>
Orange-footed Scrubfowl	<i>Megapodius reinwardt</i>
GREBES: Podicipedidae	
Australasian Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>
Hoary-headed Grebe	<i>Poliiocephalus poliocephalus</i>

STORKS: Ciconiidae	
Black-necked Stork	<i>Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus</i>
FRIGATEBIRDS: Fregatidae	
Lesser Frigatebird	<i>Fregata ariel</i>
Great Frigatebird	<i>Fregata minor</i>
BOOBIES AND GANNETS: Sulidae	
Brown Booby	<i>Sula leucogaster</i>
CORMORANTS AND SHAGS: Phalacrocoracidae	
Little Pied Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax melanoleucos</i>
Little Black Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>
Pied Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>
Black-faced Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax fuscescens</i>
ANHINGAS: Anhingidae	
Australasian Darter	<i>Anhinga novaehollandiae</i>
PELICANS: Pelecanidae	
Australian Pelican	<i>Pelecanus conspicillatus</i>
HERONS, EGRETS AND BITTERNs: Ardeidae	
Pacific (White-necked) Heron (E)	<i>Ardea pacifica</i>
Great-billed Heron	<i>Ardea sumatrana</i>
Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>
Intermediate Egret	<i>Mesophoyx intermedia</i>
White-faced Heron	<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>

Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>
Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>
IBISES AND SPOONBILLS: Threskiornithidae	
Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>
Australian Ibis	<i>Threskiornis moluccus</i>
Straw-necked Ibis	<i>Threskiornis spinicollis</i>
Yellow-billed Spoonbill	<i>Platalea flavipes</i>
HAWKS, EAGLES AND KITES: Accipitridae	
Little Eagle (E)	<i>Hieraaetus morphnoides</i>
Wedge-tailed Eagle	<i>Aquila audax</i>
Swamp Harrier	<i>Circus approximans</i>
Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>
Whistling Kite	<i>Haliastur sphenurus</i>
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>
BUSTARDS: Otididae	
Australian Bustard	<i>Ardeotis australis</i>
RAILS, GALLINULES AND COOTS: Rallidae	
Australasian Swamphen	<i>Porphyrio melanotus</i>
Dusky Moorhen	<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>
Tasmanian Native-hen (TE)	<i>Tribonyx mortierii</i>
Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>
CRANES: Gruidae	
Brolga	<i>Antigone rubicunda</i>

THICK-KNEES: Burhinidae	
Bush Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus grallarius</i>
STILTS AND AVOCETS: Recurvirostridae	
Pied Stilt	<i>Himantopus leucocephalus</i>
OYSTERCATCHERS: Haematopodidae	
Pied Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus longirostris</i>
Sooty Oystercatcher (E)	<i>Haematopus fuliginosus</i>
PLOVERS AND LAPWINGS: Charadriidae	
Masked Lapwing	<i>Vanellus miles</i>
Hooded Plover (E)	<i>Thinornis cucullatus</i>
Black-fronted Dotterel	<i>Euseyornis melanops</i>
JACANAS: Jacanidae	
Comb-crested Jacana	<i>Irediparra gallinacea</i>
GULLS, TERNS AND SKIMMERS: Laridae	
Silver Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus novaehollandiae</i>
Pacific Gull (E)	<i>Larus pacificus</i>
Kelp Gull	<i>Larus dominicanus</i>
Brown Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus</i>
Sooty Tern	<i>Onychoprion fuscatus</i>
Bridled Tern	<i>Onychoprion anaethetus</i>
Black-naped Tern	<i>Sterna sumatrana</i>
Great Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>
PIGEONS AND DOVES: Columbidae	

Rock Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>
Brown Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia phasianella</i>
Pacific Emerald Dove	<i>Chalcophaps longirostris</i>
Crested Pigeon (E)	<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>
Squatter Pigeon (E)	<i>Geophaps scripta</i>
Wonga Pigeon (E)	<i>Leucosarcia melanoleuca</i>
Diamond Dove (E)	<i>Geopelia cuneata</i>
Peaceful Dove	<i>Geopelia placida</i>
Bar-shouldered Dove	<i>Geopelia humeralis</i>
Wompoo Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus magnificus</i>
Topknot Pigeon (E)	<i>Lopholaimus antarcticus</i>
CUCKOOS: Cuculidae	
Pheasant Coucal	<i>Centropus phasianinus</i>
FROGMOUTHS: Podargidae	
Tawny Frogmouth (E)	<i>Podargus strigoides</i>
Papuan Frogmouth	<i>Podargus papuensis</i>
SWIFTS: Apodidae	
Australian Swiftlet (E)	<i>Aerodramus terraereginae</i>
KINGFISHERS: Alcedinidae	
Azure Kingfisher	<i>Ceyx azureus</i>
Little Kingfisher	<i>Ceyx pusillus</i>
Laughing Kookaburra (E)	<i>Dacelo novaeguineae</i>
Blue-winged Kookaburra	<i>Dacelo leachii</i>

Forest Kingfisher	<i>Todiramphus macleayi</i>
Sacred Kingfisher	<i>Todiramphus sanctus</i>
BEE-EATERS: Meropidae	
Rainbow Bee-eater	<i>Merops ornatus</i>
FALCONS AND CARACARAS: Falconidae	
Brown Falcon	<i>Falco berigora</i>
COCKATOOS: Cacatuidae	
Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo (E)	<i>Calyptorhynchus banksii</i>
Pink (Major Mitchell's) Cockatoo (E)	<i>Lophochroa leadbeateri</i>
Galah (E)	<i>Eolophus roseicapilla</i>
Little Corella	<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>
Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	<i>Cacatua galerita</i>
Cockatiel (E)	<i>Nymphicus hollandicus</i>
OLD WORLD PARROTS: Psittaculidae	
Australian King-Parrot (E)	<i>Alisterus scapularis</i>
Red-winged Parrot	<i>Aprosmictus erythropterus</i>
Australian Ringneck (E)	<i>Barnardius zonarius</i>
Green Rosella (TE)	<i>Platycercus caledonicus</i>
Crimson Rosella (E)	<i>Platycercus elegans</i>
Eastern Rosella (E)	<i>Platycercus eximius</i>
Pale-headed Rosella (E)	<i>Platycercus adscitus</i>
Greater Bluebonnet (E)	<i>Northiella haematogaster</i>
Red-rumped Parrot (E)	<i>Psephotus haematonotus</i>

Mulga Parrot (E)	<i>Psephotus varius</i>
Rainbow Lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>
Scaly-breasted Lorikeet (E)	<i>Trichoglossus chlorolepidotus</i>
PITTAS: Pittidae	
Noisy Pitta (E)	<i>Pitta versicolor</i>
LYREBIRDS: Menuridae	
Albert's Lyrebird (E)	<i>Menura alberti</i>
BOWERBIRDS: Ptilonorhynchidae	
Spotted Catbird (E)	<i>Ailuroedus maculosus</i>
Green Catbird (E)	<i>Ailuroedus crassirostris</i>
Tooth-billed Catbird (E)	<i>Scenopoeetes dentirostris</i>
Golden Bowerbird (E)	<i>Amblyornis newtoniana</i>
Regent Bowerbird (E)	<i>Sericulus chrysocephalus</i>
Satin Bowerbird (E)	<i>Ptilonorhynchus violaceus</i>
Spotted Bowerbird (E)	<i>Chlamydera maculata</i>
Great Bowerbird (E)	<i>Chlamydera nuchalis</i>
AUSTRALASIAN TREECREEPERS: Climacteridae	
White-throated Treecreeper (E)	<i>Cormobates leucophaea</i>
Red-browed Treecreeper (E)	<i>Climacteris erythroptis</i>
Brown Treecreeper (E)	<i>Climacteris picumnus</i>
FAIRYWRENS: Maluridae	
Variegated Fairywren (E)	<i>Malurus lamberti</i>
Splendid Fairywren (E)	<i>Malurus splendens</i>

Superb Fairywren (E)	<i>Malurus cyaneus</i>
White-winged Fairywren (E)	<i>Malurus leucopterus</i>
Red-backed Fairywren (E)	<i>Malurus melanocephalus</i>
HONEYEATERS: Meliphagidae	
Eastern Spinebill (E)	<i>Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris</i>
Yellow-spotted Honeyeater (E)	<i>Meliphaga notata</i>
Lewin's Honeyeater (E)	<i>Meliphaga lewinii</i>
Yellow Honeyeater (E)	<i>Stomiopera flava</i>
White-gaped Honeyeater (E)	<i>Stomiopera unicolor</i>
Yellow-faced Honeyeater (E)	<i>Caligavis chrysops</i>
Noisy Miner (E)	<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>
Yellow-throated Miner (E)	<i>Manorina flavigula</i>
Bridled Honeyeater (E)	<i>Bolemoreus frenatus</i>
Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater (E)	<i>Acanthagenys rufogularis</i>
Little (Brush) Wattlebird (E)	<i>Anthochaera chrysoptera</i>
Yellow Wattlebird (TE)	<i>Anthochaera paradoxa</i>
Varied Honeyeater	<i>Gavicalis versicolor</i>
Yellow-plumed Honeyeater (E)	<i>Ptilotula ornata</i>
Fuscous Honeyeater (E)	<i>Ptilotula fusca</i>
Scarlet Myzomela (E)	<i>Myzomela sanguinolenta</i>
Brown Honeyeater	<i>Lichmera indistincta</i>
Crescent Honeyeater (E)	<i>Phylidonyris pyrrhopterus</i>
New Holland Honeyeater (E)	<i>Phylidonyris novaehollandiae</i>

White-cheeked Honeyeater (E)	<i>Phylidonyris niger</i>
Yellow-throated Honeyeater (TE)	<i>Nesoptilotis flavicollis</i>
Blue-faced Honeyeater	<i>Entomyzon cyanotis</i>
White-naped Honeyeater (E)	<i>Melithreptus lunatus</i>
Black-headed Honeyeater (TE)	<i>Melithreptus affinis</i>
Brown-headed Honeyeater (E)	<i>Melithreptus brevirostris</i>
Strong-billed Honeyeater (TE)	<i>Melithreptus validirostris</i>
Macleay's Honeyeater (E)	<i>Xanthotis macleayanus</i>
Little Friarbird	<i>Philemon citreogularis</i>
Noisy Friarbird	<i>Philemon corniculatus</i>
PARDALOTES: Pardalotidae	
Spotted Pardalote (E)	<i>Pardalotus punctatus</i>
Forty-spotted Pardalote (TE)	<i>Pardalotus quadragintus</i>
Striated Pardalote (E)	<i>Pardalotus striatus</i>
THORNBILLS AND ALLIES: Acanthizidae	
Yellow-throated Scrubwren (E)	<i>Sericornis citreogularis</i>
White-browed Scrubwren (E)	<i>Sericornis frontalis</i>
Tasmanian Scrubwren (TE)	<i>Sericornis humilis</i>
Scrubtit (TE)	<i>Acanthornis magna</i>
Speckled Warbler (E)	<i>Pyrrholaemus sagittatus</i>
Buff-rumped Thornbill (E)	<i>Acanthiza reguloides</i>
Mountain Thornbill (E)	<i>Acanthiza katherina</i>
Brown Thornbill (E)	<i>Acanthiza pusilla</i>

Tasmanian Thornbill (TE)	<i>Acanthiza ewingii</i>
Chestnut-rumped Thornbill (E)	<i>Acanthiza uropygialis</i>
Yellow Thornbill (E)	<i>Acanthiza nana</i>
Striated Thornbill (E)	<i>Acanthiza lineata</i>
White-throated Gerygone	<i>Gerygone olivacea</i>
Brown Gerygone (E)	<i>Gerygone mouki</i>
Southern Whiteface (E)	<i>Aphelocephala leucopsis</i>
PSEUDO-BABLERS: Pomatostomidae	
Gray-crowned Babbler	<i>Pomatostomus temporalis</i>
LOGRUNNERS: Orthonychidae	
Australian Logrunner (E)	<i>Orthonyx temminckii</i>
WHIPBIRDS AND WEDGEBILLS: Psophodidae	
Eastern Whipbird (E)	<i>Psophodes olivaceus</i>
WOODSWALLOWS: Artamidae	
White-breasted Woodswallow	<i>Artamus leucorhynchus</i>
White-browed Woodswallow (E)	<i>Artamus superciliosus</i>
Black-faced Woodswallow	<i>Artamus cinereus</i>
BELLMAGPIES AND ALLIES: Cracticidae	
Gray Butcherbird (E)	<i>Cracticus torquatus</i>
Pied Butcherbird (E)	<i>Cracticus nigrogularis</i>
Australian Magpie (E)	<i>Gymnorhina tibicen</i>
Pied Currawong (E)	<i>Strepera graculina</i>
Black Currawong (TE)	<i>Strepera fuliginosa</i>

Gray Currawong (E)	<i>Strepera versicolor</i>
CUCKOOSHRIKES: Campephagidae	
Barred (Yellow-eyed) Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina lineata</i>
Black-faced Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>
White-bellied Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina papuensis</i>
Varied Triller	<i>Lalage leucomela</i>
SITELLAS: Neosittidae	
Varied Sittella	<i>Daphoenositta chrysoptera</i>
WHISTLERS AND ALLIES: Pachycephalidae	
Gray Shrikethrush	<i>Colluricincla harmonica</i>
Bower's Shrikethrush (E)	<i>Colluricincla boweri</i>
Olive Whistler (E)	<i>Pachycephala olivacea</i>
Golden Whistler (E)	<i>Pachycephala pectoralis</i>
Rufous Whistler	<i>Pachycephala rufiventris</i>
OLD WORLD ORIOLES: Oriolidae	
Olive-backed Oriole	<i>Oriolus sagittatus</i>
Australasian Figbird (E)	<i>Sphecotheres vieilloti</i>
DRONGOS: Dicruridae	
Spangled Drongo	<i>Dicrurus bracteatus</i>
FANTAILS: Rhipiduridae	
Northern Fantail	<i>Rhipidura rufiventris</i>
Willie-wagtail	<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>
Rufous Fantail	<i>Rhipidura rufifrons</i>

Gray Fantail	<i>Rhipidura albiscapa</i>
MONARCH FLYCATCHERS: Monarchidae	
Black-faced Monarch	<i>Monarcha melanopsis</i>
Spectacled Monarch	<i>Symposiachrus trivirgatus</i>
Pied Monarch (E)	<i>Arses kaupi</i>
Magpie-lark	<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>
Restless Flycatcher (E)	<i>Myiagra inquieta</i>
Shining Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra alecto</i>
CROWS, JAYS AND MAGPIES: Corvidae	
Torresian Crow	<i>Corvus orru</i>
Australian Raven (E)	<i>Corvus coronoides</i>
Forest Raven	<i>Corvus tasmanicus</i>
WHITE-WINGED CHOUGH AND APOSTLEBIRD: Corcoracidae	
White-winged Chough (E)	<i>Corcorax melanorhamphos</i>
Apostlebird (E)	<i>Struthidea cinerea</i>
BIRDS-OF-PARADISE: Paradisaeidae	
Paradise Riflebird (E)	<i>Ptiloris paradiseus</i>
Victoria's Riflebird (E)	<i>Ptiloris victoriae</i>
AUSTRALASIAN ROBINS: Petroicidae	
Jacky-winter	<i>Microeca fascinans</i>
Scarlet Robin (E)	<i>Petroica boodang</i>
Red-capped Robin (E)	<i>Petroica goodenovii</i>
Flame Robin (E)	<i>Petroica phoenicea</i>

Rose Robin (E)	<i>Petroica rosea</i>
Pink Robin (E)	<i>Petroica rodinogaster</i>
Hooded Robin (E)	<i>Melanodryas cucullata</i>
Dusky Robin (TE)	<i>Melanodryas vittata</i>
Pale-yellow Robin (E)	<i>Tregellasia capito</i>
Eastern Yellow Robin (E)	<i>Eopsaltria australis</i>
Gray-headed Robin (E)	<i>Heteromyias cinereifrons</i>
SWALLOWS: Hirundinidae	
Welcome Swallow (E)	<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>
Fairy Martin	<i>Petrochelidon ariel</i>
GRASSBIRDS AND ALLIES: Locustellidae	
Rufous Songlark (E)	<i>Megalurus mathewsi</i>
CISTICOLAS AND ALLIES: Cisticolidae	
Golden-headed Cisticola	<i>Cisticola exilis</i>
WHITE-EYES, YUHINAS, AND ALLIES: Zosteropidae	
Silver-eye	<i>Zosterops lateralis</i>
STARLINGS: Sturnidae	
European Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>
Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>
FLOWERPECKERS: Dicaeidae	
Mistletoebird	<i>Dicaeum hirundinaceum</i>
SUNBIRDS AND SPIDERHUNTERS: Nectariniidae	
Olive-backed (Yellow-bellied) Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris jugularis</i>

WAGTAILS AND PIPITS: Motacillidae	
Australasian Pipit	<i>Anthus novaeseelandiae</i>
WAXBILLS AND ALLIES: Estrildidae	
Red-browed Firetail (E)	<i>Neochmia temporalis</i>
Zebra Finch	<i>Taeniopygia guttata</i>
Double-barred Finch (E)	<i>Taeniopygia bichenovii</i>
Black-throated Finch (E)	<i>Poephila cincta</i>
Chestnut-breasted Munia	<i>Lonchura castaneothorax</i>
MAMMALS:	
PLATYPUS: Ornithorhynchidae	
Platypus	<i>Ornithorhynchus anatinus</i>
BANDICOOTS: Peramelidae	
Northern Brown Bandicoot	<i>Isodon macrourus</i>
KOALA: Phascolarctidae	
Koala	<i>Phascolarctos cinereus</i>
BRUSHTAIL POSSUMS: Phalangeridae	
Mountain Brushtail Possum	<i>Trichosurus caninus</i>
Common Brushtail Possum	<i>Trichosurus vulpecula</i>
GLIDERS AND STRIPED POSSUM: Petauridae	
Striped Possum	<i>Dactylopsila trivirgata</i>
RINGTAIL POSSUMS: Pseudocheiridae	
Common Ringtail Possum	<i>Pseudocheirus peregrinus</i>
Green Ringtail Possum	<i>Pseudocheirops archeri</i>

Herbert River Ringtail Possum	<i>Pseudochirulus herbertensis</i>
KANGAROOS, WALLABIES AND TREE-KANGAROOS: Macropodidae	
Lumholtz's Tree Kangaroo	<i>Dendrolagus lumholtzi</i>
Eastern Grey Kangaroo	<i>Macropus giganteus</i>
Western Grey Kangaroo	<i>Macropus fuliginosus</i>
Red Kangaroo	<i>Macropus rufus</i>
Euro (Common Wallaroo)	<i>Macropus robustus</i>
Red-necked Wallaby	<i>Macropus rufogriseus</i>
Mareeba Rock Wallaby	<i>Petrogale mareeba</i>
Red-legged Pademelon	<i>Thylogale stigmatica</i>
Red-necked Pademelon	<i>Thylogale thetis</i>
RORQUALS: Balaenopteridae	
Humpback Whale	<i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>