

Report of a Trip to

Bali & Lombok

From 16th August to 2nd September 2011

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Chestnut-backed Thrush – *Geokichla dohertyi*, 26 August 2011 Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok © Jan van der Laan.



Introduction

Between 16 August en 2 September 2011 we had a holiday on Bali and Lombok. Main goal was to have a nice and relaxed family holiday, with some occasional birding. The birding was aimed at some species: both the rare starlings of Bali, Javan Banded Pitta on Bali and Ornate (aka Elegant) Pitta and Chestnut-backed Thrush on Lombok. We had booked our international flight with www.cheaptickets.nl and our accommodation was also booked via the internet. We stayed at three places: the first 6 days we stayed at Villa Ayode near Kedungu, on Bali. The second week we stayed at Villa Perac near Senggigi, Lombok and the last 5 days we stayed at Villa Viveka, c 15 km west of Lovina on the northern part of Bali.

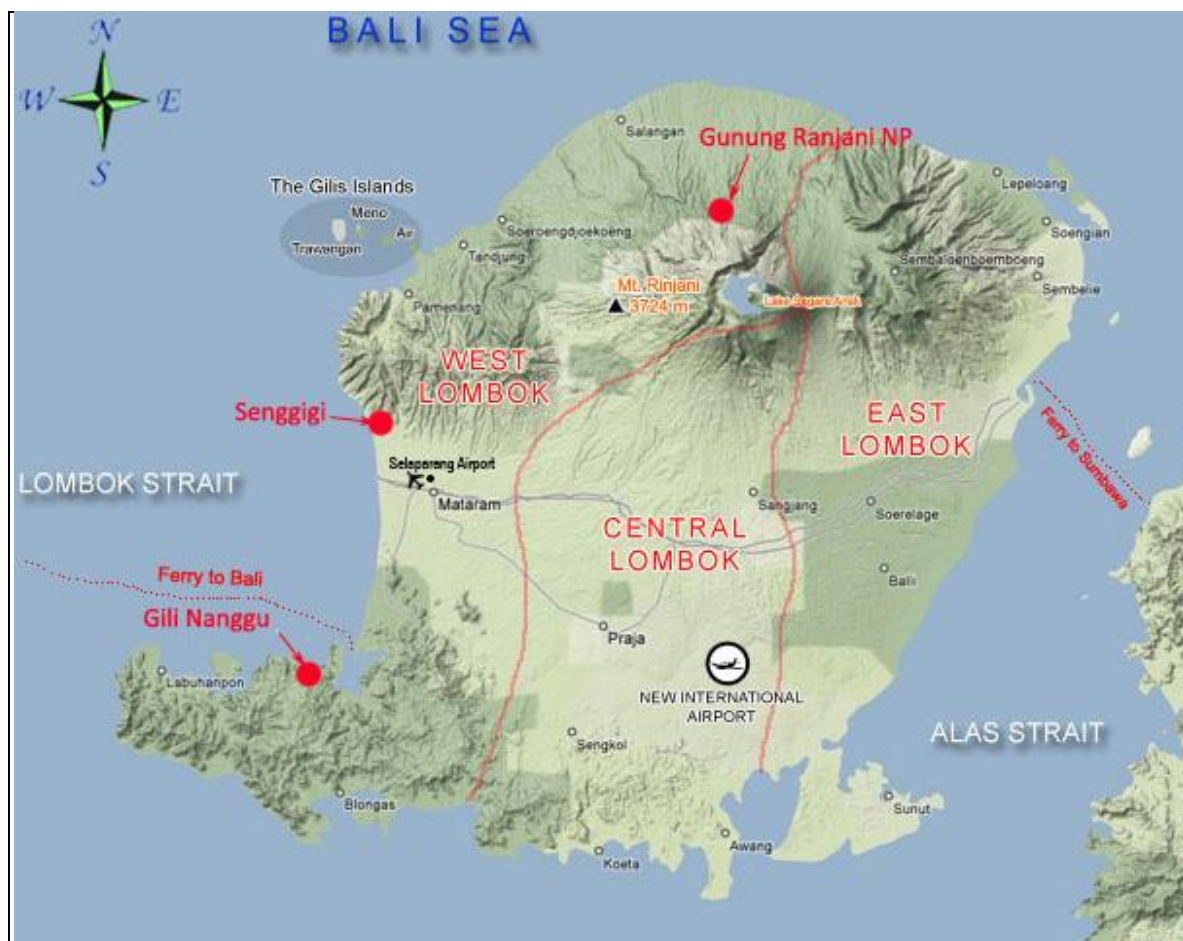


Itinerary

- 15 August** Flight at 11:00 am from Amsterdam to Singapore with Singapore Airlines.
- 16 August** Arrival at Singapore at 5:45, connecting flight at 9:00 hours with Garuda to Denpasar, Bali. Arrived on time at 11:30 hours. Picked up by driver who brought us to our accommodation at Villa Ayode (<http://www.villa-ayo.nl/home>) near Kedungu (c 15 km from Tanah Lot temple, a famous tourist spot). Rest of the day was spent relaxing. First birds were Javan Pond Heron, Scaly-breasted Munia, Olive-backed Sunbird, Edible-nest Swiftlet and Spotted Dove.
- 17 August** Kedungu. In the afternoon we spent some time at Kedungu Beach where we saw 3 Lesser Frigatebirds and several Greater Crested Terns.
- 18 August** Another day relaxing in our villa. New birds were Bar-winged Prinia and Javan Myna.
- 19 August** Spent whole day at Ubud, a famous tourist trap and few birds seen, but at some hot springs (I forgot the name and location) we saw White-breasted Waterhen and Javan Kingfisher.
- 20 August** Another day relaxing in our villa. I managed to photograph a Javan Kingfisher behind the villa.
- 21 August** We went to one of the waterfalls near Bedugul. We also visited the Botanical Gardens. In the gardens it was quite busy and noisy, so I was not able to do some good birding. Later I learned

the Botanical Garden is one of the best places to see Sunda Thrush. My children Joop and Bob had a wonderful time however, as they did some tree-climbing.

- 22 August** Only relaxing in the morning. At noon we were brought to the airport where we took flight Lion Air JT-1854 to Lombok at 16:10 hours. The flight took only some 30 minutes and we landed on time at 16:40 hours. Tickets were booked at <http://ticketindonesia.info/>. At Mataram we were picked-up by a taxi that brought us to Senggigi, where we stayed at Kampong Duduk in Villa Perac (<http://www.villalombok.nl/>). First birds were Indonesian Honeyeaters and White-breasted Woodswallows. Dinner in the evening at Yessy's Café.



- 23 August** Spent day relaxing at the villa and later in the afternoon we took a short walk to the sea shore.
- 24 August** Again we only relaxed at our villa and in the afternoon we went to a restaurant just north of the villa. Our housekeeper Noeng helped us to arrange two daytrips, one to the Nanggu Islands with us all and one to the lower slopes of Mount Rinjani. During the night I heard an owl-like sound and I developed allergy on my torso. Had dinner again in Yessy's Café.
- 25 August** Noeng's cousin Alyn from www.lombok-lintrack.com took us to the Nanggu Islands, where we did some excellent snorkeling with amazing fish and we had a wonderful lunch on one of the islands. Best birds were Collared Kingfisher, White-breasted Waterhen, Pale-headed Munia and a Short-toed Snake Eagle later in the afternoon at the villa. My allergy worsened, so we bought some anti-histamine at an *apotek*, but that was not working yet.
- 26 August** At 4:00 hours I was picked-up by Alyn and the driver and they took me to the Gunung Rinjani NP. Alyn arranged all permits to the National Park and has a license to guide people all along the summit. I had arranged only go to Pos II at c 1500 m. We start walking just after sunrise and the first part we had the trail for ourselves. Best birds between the entrance and Pos Between



were Scaly-crowned Honeyeater, Lemon-bellied White-eye, Blue-cheeked Flowerpecker, White-shouldered Triller, White-rumped Kingfisher, Lesser Shortwing, Mangrove Whistler and Rusty-breasted Cuckoo. At Pos Between the trail became more crowded as trekking groups were ascending, while other groups were descending. As the trail to Pos II became steeper and more crowded, Alyn and I decided to descend slowly and pull our luck at several stops. During the descent we heard a Metallic Pigeon, several Helmeted Friarbirds (seen badly, heard well) and Black-naped Monarch. Just before Pos I flushed a bird with no tail, dark green above, red undertail coverts and white bases on the primaries: an Ornate Pitta! We stayed for an hour more, hoping the bird would return, but a Chestnut-backed Thrush appeared and gave a wonderful performance! Other birds seen during descent were Mountain Leaf Warbler and a pair of Scarlet Minivets. At around 14:00 hours we were back at the car again and after a two-hour drive we were back at Senggigi. During the ride my allergy worsened and Alyn and Noeng were so kind to arrange an appointment with a doctor. I visited Doctor Aang in Senggigi in the evening and he gave me better anti-histamine pills and powder to stop the itching. Later in the evening we had dinner in the excellent restaurant Square. During the night my allergy became more bearable.

- 27 August** Last full day at Villa Perac. I saw several Lemon-bellied White-eyes in the garden and spent time to photograph Pale-headed Munia (no luck) and Javan Munia. In the evening I managed to record the mystery owl in the palm trees in the garden.
- 28 August** At 8:30 we left Villa Perac and headed for the airport to take flight Lion Air JT-1853 at 10:10 hours to Denpasar, Bali. During the trip I had a nice conversation with a Belgium teacher who already had travelled the whole world. We arrived at Denpasar half an hour later. There the taxi of Villa Viveka (<http://www.villabalizee.nl/index.html>) picked us up. We could only get into the villa after 16:00 hours, so the driver stopped several times to abide the time. First stop was at the beautiful Pura Taman Ayun, where I saw my first Blue-tailed Bee-eaters. Next we had dinner at a restaurant at Danau Bratan. Finally we had a stop at a coffee plantation where we bought Civet Cat Coffee and saw a Leopard Cat in a cage. We arrived at Villa Viveka at 17:00 hours where we also had dinner. Just before the villa we saw our only Yellow Bittern, sitting in a rice field.
- 29 August** Spent day relaxing at our very luxurious villa, where Crested Terns flew above the sea in front of us, and with Long-tailed Shrikes chasing butterflies in the garden. In the evening we had dinner in Lovina in a Dutch-owned restaurant.
- 30 August** In the early morning at 6:00 am we were picked up by a boat and went a few kilometers out in the sea between Seririt and Lovina. We saw several dolphins, but they emerged at unexpected places and some boatmen of other boats were very impatient and steered their boats with full speed where the dolphins submerged. In the end we had some close views, but I wonder if the dolphins will take this for long. Rest of the day was spent relaxing (I am on a holiday, remember!). On the roof of the villa I saw my first Pied Stonechat.
- 31 August** At 5:30 am I was picked up by Oswald Huma and Hery Kusumanegara, my guides for the day at Bali Barat. After two hours' drive, we reached the entrance of the park at Labuhan Lalang where we took a boat to the release centre of the Bali Myna. During the crossing we saw Lesser Frigatebird, Little Tern and a group Black-naped Terns. We landed ca 2 km south of the release centre to look for the Black-winged Starling first. Oswald and Hery had seen eight birds on 29 August, but now it was too windy. The Black-winged Starlings like to perch on the treetops, but when there is too much wind they will perch in the sub-canopy. After an hour we finally



managed to see two birds flying two times and in flight I could see all diagnostic features of this much endangered starling. Other birds seen were Savanna Nightjar (resting bird near the shore), Great-billed Heron, Black Drongo, Lesser Minivet, Blue-tailed and Rainbow Bee-eater, Lineated Barbet, Zebra Dove and Crested Serpent-Eagle. At the Bali Myna release centre, we had some trouble finding the last Bali Mynas. Most of the time they stay in the mangrove trees just north of the centre or in the trees west of the mangroves, but nothing. Oswald and Hery had seen four birds on 29 August. We returned to the release centre and just through the cage we saw the free flying Bali Mynas, but all were ringed. We observed the birds for an hour. I felt a little disappointed not seeing the unringed bird, but Oswald assured me that the last three birds were more or less bred in the wild. Moreover, the population was already mixed with released birds, so an unringed bird will not guarantee it is of wild origin. At 11:15 we left the release centre and after a short boat ride we reached the jetty at Labuhan Lalang. There we had dinner in a small restaurant where two Russian boys started a fight, with the bigger one crashing the other boy with a chair! After some turmoil and shouting between the mothers and other Russians, we all were left flabbergasted! Oswald pretend he had seen nothing (he did!) and kept on sms-ing. Hery did a short nap and had seen or heard nothing. At 14:00 hours we started to look for the Javan Banded Pitta in the monsoon forest just west of the Labuhan Lalang. At first we saw a beautiful pair of Oriental Dwarf Kingfishers, followed by a Fulvous-chested Jungle-Flycatcher. When putting my binoculars on the flycatcher, our attraction was drawn by something bigger on the ground a foot away. Javan Banded Pitta! The Pitta – a male - was very cooperative and showed itself very well. It started calling and just some meters behind us the female responded. Then he hopped away.

Next on the program were the salt pans west of Bayuwedang, the best place on Bali to see Javan Plover. In the first saltpan we found one bird at close range and more birds were found further away. Other birds were Sacred Kingfisher, Red-necked Stint, Greenshank and Wood Sandpiper. Then we drove to the parking place of the Bali Barat Centre where Scarlet-headed Flowerpeckers were easy. We found at least a pair and furthermore we saw Orange-breasted Fruit-Dove, Common Iora and a female Brown-throated Sunbird (a new bird for me as the Grey-throated Sunbird from the Philippines was split from this one). Finally we drove to the beautiful Gilimanuk Bay, where Lesser Adjutant and Beach Thick-knee were quickly found. A Little Blue Kingfisher and a pair of Sacred Kingfisher ended a good day of birding. We dropped Hery at his home nearby and Oswald brought me back to the villa, where arrived at 20:30 hours. I can recommend Oswald en Hery to everybody. They speak English very well, have a good sense of humor and are very keen and skillful to show you the difficult birds. For this day I paid \$ 175, but that included transport, entrance to the national park and the boat ride plus beverages. Oswald can be contacted at Oswald_huma@hotmail.com, Hery at hery_kn@yahoo.co.id (note the underscore _ between their surname and family name). Oswald lives in Denpasar and is also highly recommendable for other trips, like the Botanical Gardens, where he almost guarantees Sunda Thrush (something I would have known before I went there!).

1 September The last full day on Bali was spent relaxing, although a frigatebird caused some excitement. It appeared to be all dark in the sun, but on the screen of my camera it became clear it was a juvenile Greater Frigatebird. In the evening we had dinner in an Italian restaurant in Lovina.

2 September We were transported to Denpasar where we took the evening flight with Garuda to Singapore. In Singapore we took the flight to Amsterdam.



3 September Between Singapore and India we had a lot of turbulence and after a long night we finally landed at Schiphol, Amsterdam at around 7:00 AM, where we were picked up by our neighbor Henk who kindly brought us to our house in Alkmaar.

Species Accounts

Order and nomenclature follows www.worldbirdnames.org, version 11.2. The Elegant Pitta on Lombok is split into three species and the pitta on Lombok is now called Ornate Pitta.

Where names differed from the usual fieldguides, the alternative name is given. Birds restricted to Java and Bali or Lombok are in capitals.

Recommended Literature

On Bali I used the adequate *A Field Guide to the Birds of Borneo, Sumatra, Java, and Bali: The Greater Sunda Islands* by John MacKinnon & Karen Phillipps. On Lombok I used the also adequate *A Guide to the Birds of Wallacea: Sulawesi, the Moluccas and Lesser Sunda Islands, Indonesia* by Brian J. Coates, K. David Bishop and Dana Gardner.

In Forktail and Birding Asia of the Oriental Bird Club, several good articles can be found, e.g. about the birds of the Lombok: <http://www.orientalbirdclub.org/publications/forktail/21pdf/Myers-Lombo.pdf>.

Several trip reports can be found at www.cloudbirders.com and www.birdtours.co.uk.

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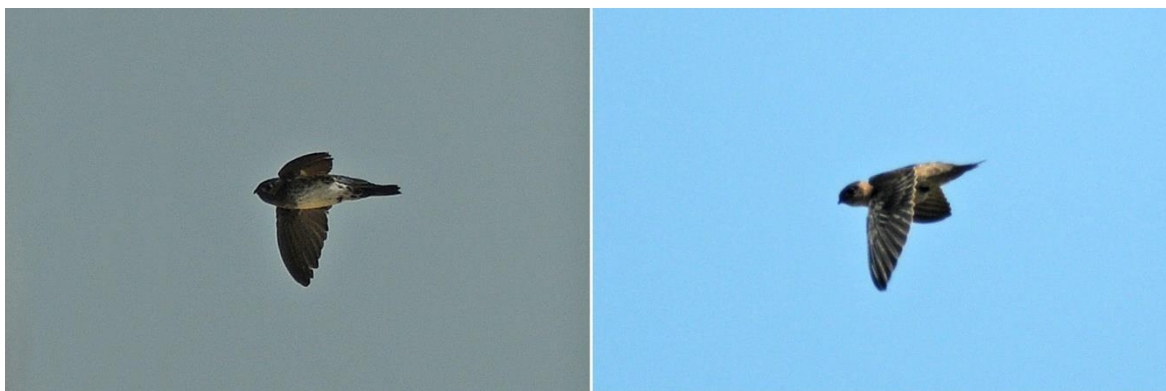
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Bar-winged Prinia, 17 August 2011, Kedungu, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



Left: Edible-nest Swiftlet, 17 August 2011; right: Javan Pond Heron, 20 August 2011, both at Kedungu, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



Left: Plume-toed Swiftlet; right: Edible-nest Swiftlet?, 20 August 2011, Kedungu, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



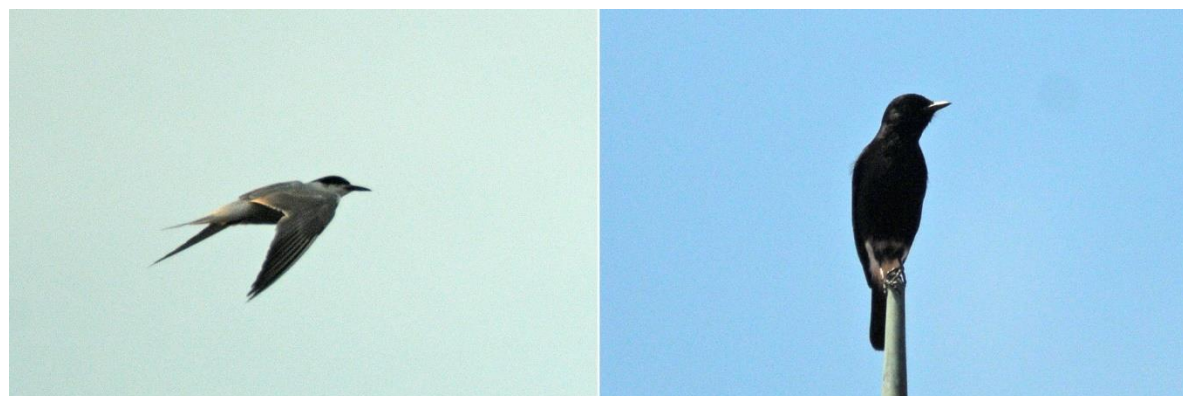
Javan Kingfisher, 20 August 2011, Kedungu, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



Left: Javan Munia, right: Brown Honeyeater, both on 23 August 2011 at Villa Perac, Senggigi, Lombok; © Jan van der Laan.



Crested Terns, 29 August 2011, Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



Left: Common Tern ssp longipennis; right: Black Stonechat, 30 August 2011, Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



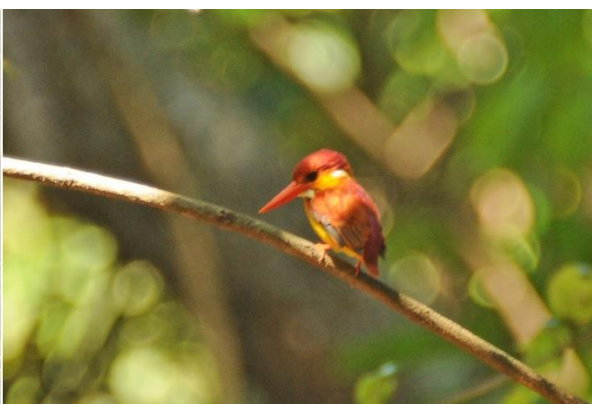
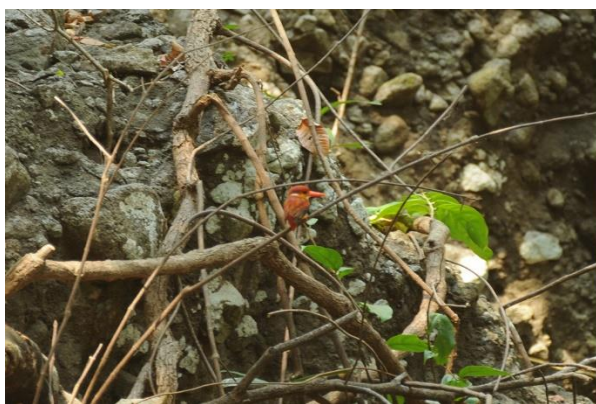
Left: Great-billed Heron; right: Green Junglefowl, 31 August 2001, Bali Barat NP, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



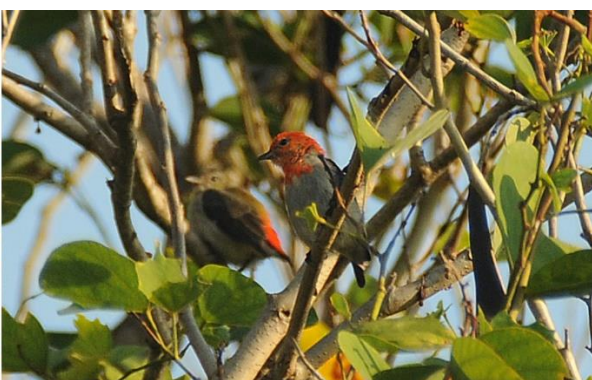
Left: Blue-tailed Bee-eater, 31 August 2001, Bali Barat NP, Bali; right: Chestnut-headed Bee-eater, 31 August 2001, Gilimanuk Bay, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



Bali Starlings, 31 August 2011, Bali Barat NP, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



Oriental Dwarf Kingfishers, left a bird at the nesting site, right, a bird hunting; 31 August 2011, Bali Barat NP, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



Left: Orange-breasted Green Pigeon; right: Scarlet-headed Flowerpecker, 31 August 2011, Bali Barat Centre, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



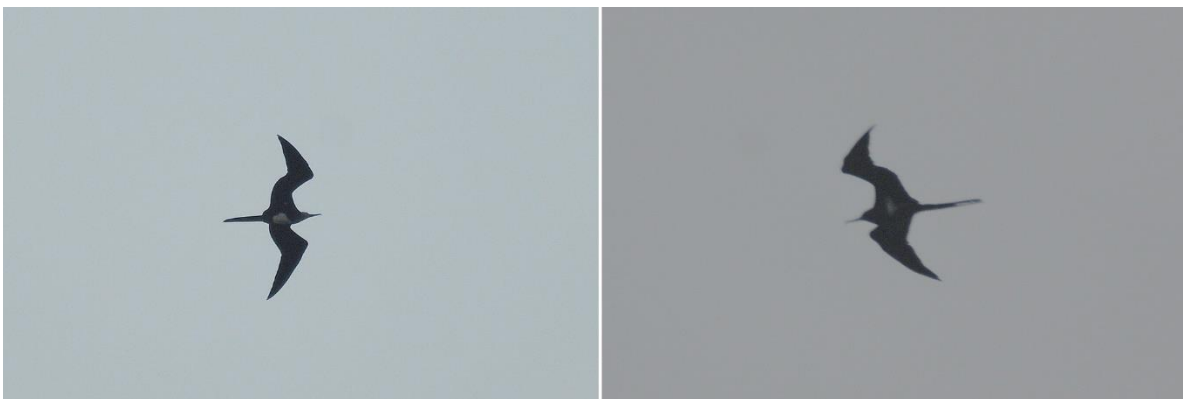
Javan Plover, 31 August 2011, Bayuwedang saltpans; © Jan van der Laan. Although the name suggests another endemic for Java and Bali, this plover is also found east up to Timor and north up to Sulawesi.



Sacred Kingfisher, 31 August 2011, Gilimanuk Bay, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



Two of the eight Lesser Adjutants present on 31 August 2011 in Gilimanuk Bay; © Jan van der Laan.



Frigatebirds for comparison. Left: juvenile Great Frigatebird, 1 September 2011, Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali; right: adult male Lesser Frigatebird, 31 August 2011, Bali Barat NP, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



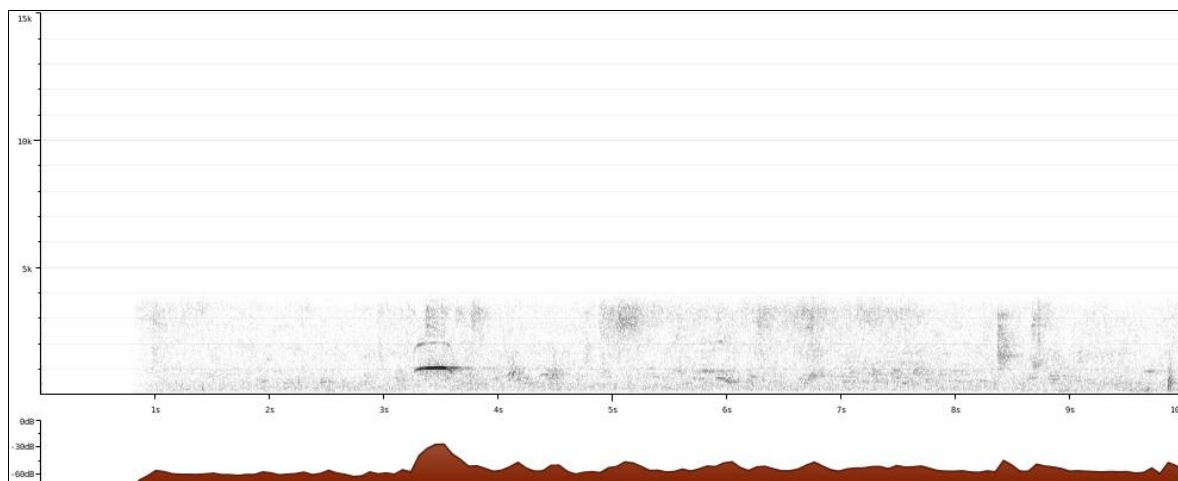
Two of the three free-flying Bali Mynas at Bali Barat NP, 31 August 2011; © Jan van der Laan.



Habitat at Bali Barat NP. Black-winged Starling was seen here on the hillside, 31 August 2011; © Jan van der Laan.



Habitat of the Rinjani Scops Owl in the garden of Villa Perac, Kampong Duduk, Senggigi, where we stayed. The sound recording of 27 August 2011 was taken while the bird was in of the palm trees on the left; © Jan van der Laan.



Sonogram of the whistle taken on 27 August 2011 at the last night (copy-pasted from Xeno-Canto).



01. **Green Junglefowl** - *Gallus varius*
31 August 3 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
02. **Savanna Nightjar** - *Caprimulgus affinis*
31 August 1 (roosting) Bali Barat NP, Bali.
03. **Plume-toed Swiftlet** - *Collocalia affinis*
Common on both Bali and Lombok.
04. **Edible-nest Swiftlet** - *Aerodramus fuciphagus*
Common to very common on both Bali and Lombok.
05. **Rusty-breasted Cuckoo** - *Cacomantis sepulcralis*
26 August c 5 (1 seen, others heard) Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
06. **Metallic Pigeon** - *Columba vitiensis*
26 August 1 (heard) Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
07. **Spotted Dove** - *Spilopelia chinensis*
Common on Bali (especially in gardens) and Lombok.
08. **Common Emerald Dove** - *Chalcophaps indica*
31 August 1 (flushed and flying away) Bali Barat NP, Bali.
09. **Zebra Dove** - *Geopelia striata*
Common in Bali Barat NP.
10. **Orange-breasted Green Pigeon** - *Treron bicinctus*
31 August c 10 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
11. **White-breasted Waterhen** - *Amaurornis phoenicurus*
19 August 2 Hot Springs near Ubud, Bali.
25 August 1 near Lembar, Lombok.
28 August 2 en route between Denpasar and Lovina, Bali.
 2 rice fields at the entrance of Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali; also on 30 August.
12. **Beach Stone-curlew** - *Esacus neglectus*
31 August 4 Gilimanuk Bay, Bali.
This location is probably the best place in Asia to see this weird shorebird.
13. **Javan Plover** - *Charadrius javanicus*
31 August at least 4 salt pans west of Bayuwedang, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
One bird was observed very closely, so all diagnostic fieldmarks were seen.
14. **Whimbrel** - *Numenius phaeopus*
25 August 1 Gili Nanggu, Lombok.
30 August 1 Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali.
31 August 2-3 Bali Barat NP, Bali.



15. **Red-necked Stint** - *Calidris ruficollis*
31 August 3 (in summer plumage) Saltpans west of Bayuwedang, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
16. **Common Snipe** - *Gallinago gallinago*
Between 16 and 22 August I observed several groups of snipe-species migrating south at Kedungu, Bali. On 1 and 2 September I saw 1 and 2 birds landing in the rice field at the entrance of Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali. Pintail Snipe or Swinhoe's Snipe were not safely excluded.
17. **Common Sandpiper** - *Actitis hypoleucos*
31 August 1 during boat trip to Bali Myna area, Bali Barat NP.
1 saltpans west of Bayuwedang, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
18. **Common Redshank** - *Tringa totanus*
31 August 1 saltpans west of Bayuwedang, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
19. **Wood Sandpiper** - *Tringa glareola*
31 August 1 saltpans west of Bayuwedang, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
20. **Common Greenshank** - *Tringa nebularia*
31 August 1 saltpans west of Bayuwedang, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
21. **Greater Crested Tern** - *Thalasseus bergii*
17 August c 10 Kedungu Beach, Bali.
23 August 2 Senggigi, Lombok.
25 August 2 Gili Nanggu, Lombok.
Between 28 August and 2 September several seen daily above the beach at Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali.
22. **Little Tern** - *Sternula albifrons*
31 August 1 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
23. **Black-naped Tern** - *Sterna sumatrana*
31 August 18 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
24. **Common Tern** - *Sterna Hirundo*
25 August 2 Gili Nanggu, Lombok.
30 August 1 during dolphin-trip at sea north of Seririt, Bali.
25. **Lesser Adjutant** - *Leptoptilos javanicus*
31 August 8 Gilimanuk Bay, Bali.
26. **Great Frigatebird** - *Fregata minor*
2 September 1 (juvenile) flying above the beach behind Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali.
Identification in the field was difficult, the bird looked all dark. However, I took several pictures and on these pictures the white belly patch and the cream-coloured head were obvious.
27. **Lesser Frigatebird** - *Fregata ariel*
17 August 3 (2 males 1 juvenile) flying above Kedungu Beach, Bali.
31 August 1 (adult male) Bali Barat NP, Bali.



28. **Yellow Bittern** - *Ixobrychus sinensis*
28 August 1 sitting in a rice field, Seririt, Bali.
29. **Javan Pond Heron** - *Ardeola speciosa*
Common on Bali, characteristically in rice fields. Unfortunately very shy and therefore difficult to photograph. All observed birds were in winter plumage.
30. **Eastern Cattle Egret** - *Bubulcus coromandus*
Fairly common on Bali, mainly in rice fields. On Lombok I observed a tree along the runway of the airport full of white herons presumed to be this species on 22 August.
31. **Grey Heron** - *Ardea cinerea*
22 August 1 flying out to the sea south of Senggigi, Lombok.
32. **Great-billed Heron** - *Ardea sumatrana*
31 August 2-3 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
 1 Gilimanuk Bay, Bali.
33. **Purple Heron** - *Ardea purpurea*
At least 10 birds were seen daily between 16 and 21 August at Villa Ayode, Kedungu Bali flying past the villa in the evening on their way to the roosting place.
25 August 1 Gili Nanggu, Lombok.
34. **Little Egret** - *Egretta garzetta*
25 August 3 on a tidal beach near Lembar, Lombok.
31 August c 10 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
35. **Short-toed Snake Eagle** - *Circaetus gallicus*
26 August 1 flying past behind Villa Perac, Senggigi, Lombok.
36. **Crested Serpent Eagle** - *Spilornis cheela*
31 August 2 Bali Barat NP.
This species is the biggest enemy of the Bali Starling. One bird was caught between 29 and 31 August.
37. **RINJANI SCOPS OWL** – *Otus jolandae*
One or two birds heard every evening between 22 and 27 August, Villa Perac, Senggigi, Lombok.
The call was reminiscent both of recordings of Sunda and Sulawesi Scops Owl. I consulted some birders and on 2 October 2011 George Sangster phoned me with the words "I know what it is". It proved that he himself had found it in 2003 and had already described it and was now waiting for publication. Everything about the discovery and the description of this species can be found in [this paper](#). Sound recordings (including mine) can be found here at [Xeno canto](#).
38. **White-rumped Kingfisher** - *Caridonax fulgidus*
26 August 1 calling loudly and swiftly passing by near the entrance of Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok. Although seen shortly, one of the best birds of the holiday!
39. **JAVAN KINGFISHER** - *Halcyon cyanoventris*
19 August 2 in the rice fields at Villa Ayode, Kedungu, Bali; also on 20 August.



- 21 August 2 Hot Springs near Ubud, Bali.
 1 Villa Ayode, Kedungu, Bali.
40. **Collared Kingfisher** - *Halcyon chloris*
 25 August 1 near Lembar, Lombok.
 31 August c 10 Bali Barat NP.
41. **Sacred Kingfisher** - *Todiramphus sanctus*
 29 August 1 Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali (flying west).
 30 August 1 Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali (flying east).
 31 August 1 saltpans west of Bayuwedang, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
 2 Gilimanuk Bay, Bali.
42. **Cerulean (Little Blue) Kingfisher** - *Alcedo coerulescens*
 31 August 1 Gilimanuk Bay, Bali.
43. **Oriental Dwarf (Rufous-backed) Kingfisher** - *Ceyx erithaca*
 31 August 2 Monsoon Forest, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
 A pair showed itself beautifully in an almost dry streambed.
44. **Blue-tailed Bee-eater** - *Merops philippinus*
 28 August c 5 Pura Taman Ayun, Bali.
 31 August c 5 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
45. **Rainbow Bee-eater** - *Merops ornatus*
 31 August 1 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
46. **Chestnut-headed Bee-eater** - *Merops leschenaulti*
 31 August c 10 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
47. **Lineated Barbet** - *Megalaima lineata*
 31 August c 5 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
48. **Coppersmith Barbet** - *Megalaima haemacephala*
 31 August 3-4 (with 1 finally seen) Monsoon Forest, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
49. **Sunda Pygmy Woodpecker** - *Dendrocopos moluccensis*
 26 August 4 at the entrance of Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
 31 August 2 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
50. **Fulvous-breasted Woodpecker** - *Dendrocopos macei*
 31 August 1 (female) Bali Barat NP, Bali.
51. **Laced Woodpecker** - *Picus vittatus*
 31 August 1 (heard close-by, but invisible) Monsoon Forest, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
52. **Common Flameback** - *Dinopium javanense*
 31 August 2 Bali Barat NP, Bali.



53. **JAVAN BANDED PITTA** - *Hydrornis guajana*
 31 August 2 (male seen beautifully) Monsoon Forest, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
 The male was discovered while looking at the Fulvous-breasted Jungle-Flycatcher. We heard the female several meters behind us respond to when the calling male. The contact calls were a low 'kr-r-r-r'. Personally, this was the highlight of the holiday.
54. **Ornate Pitta** - *Pitta concinna*
 26 August 1 flying from the trail at Pos 1, Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
 I flushed the bird from the trail, so I saw it only in flight; before I was almost sure I had heard it calling.
55. **Helmeted Friarbird** - *Philemon buceroides*
 26 August c 10 (mostly heard, 1 or 2 seen vaguely) Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
56. **Scaly-crowned Honeyeater** - *Lichmera lombokia*
 26 August c 10 Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
57. **Brown Honeyeater** - *Lichmera indistincta*
 Fairly common on Lombok, with up to 10 birds each day, mostly at Villa Perac in Senggigi, Lombok.
58. **White-breasted Woodswallow** - *Artamus leucorhynchus*
 Seen daily (up to 6 birds) at Villa Perac (roosting in palm trees), Senggigi, Lombok.
 31 August c 10 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
59. **Common Iora** - *Aegithina tiphia*
 31 August c 10 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
60. **Small Minivet** - *Pericrocotus cinnamomeus*
 31 August 5-6 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
61. **Scarlet Minivet** - *Pericrocotus speciosus*
 26 August 2 (pair) near Pos 1, Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
62. **White-shouldered Triller** - *Lalage sueurii*
 26 August 2 in the plantations before the entrance of Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
 31 August 2-3 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
63. **Lesser Cuckooshrike** - *Lalage fimbriata*
 31 August 1 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
64. **Mangrove Whistler** - *Pachycephala cinerea*
 26 August c 10 between the main entrance and Pos Between, Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
65. **Long-tailed Shrike** - *Lanius schach*
 Common on Bali and Lombok. One bird stayed in the garden hunting butterflies and dragonflies in the garden of Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali.
66. **Ashy Drongo** - *Dicrurus leucophaeus*
 21 August 4 Botanical Gardens at Bedugul, Bali.



67. **Black Drongo** - *Dicrurus macrocercus*
31 August 3-4 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
68. **Malaysian Pied Fantail** - *Rhipidura javanica*
30 August 1 Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali.
31 August 1 Monsoon Forest, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
69. **Black-naped Monarch** - *Hypothymis azurea*
26 August 2 between the main entrance and Pos Between, Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
70. **Slender-billed Crow** - *Corvus enca*
2 September 1 near Denpasar, Bali.
71. **Cinereous Tit** - *Parus cinereus*
26 August c 10 along trail of Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
31 August 2 during search to Black-winged Starling, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
72. **Horsfield's Bush Lark** - *Mirafra javanica*
31 August 8 during search of Black-winged Starling, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
73. **Yellow-vented Bulbul** - *Pycnonotus goiavier*
Common on Bali and Lombok.
74. **Sooty-headed Bulbul** - *Pycnonotus aurigaster*
31 August c 20 widespread in Bali Barat NP.
75. **Pacific Swallow** - *Hirundo tahitica*
Few individuals at Ubud, Obugul and Bali Barat NP, Bali.
76. **Mountain Leaf Warbler** - *Phylloscopus trivirgatus*
26 August 2 between the main entrance and Pos Between, Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
77. **Zitting Cisticola** - *Cisticola juncidis*
19 August 1 nesting in the rice fields at Villa Ayode, Kedungu, Bali; also on 20 August.
78. **BAR-WINGED PRINIA** - *Prinia familiaris*
Common on Bali, especially in the gardens of the places where we stayed.
79. **Olive-backed Tailorbird** - *Orthotomus sepium*
A pair was seen daily in the garden of Villa Ayode, Kedungu, Bali and also 2-3 birds seen daily in the garden of Villa Perac in Senggigi, Lombok.
80. **Warbling White-eye** - *Zosterops japonicus montanus*
21 August c 10 Botanical Garden, Bali.
26 August c 10 Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
The taxonomy of Mountain White-eyes has been changed radically (see [Lim et al 2018](#)) and the Mountain White-eyes of Bali are now placed under Warbling White-eye, formerly known as Japanese White-eye. In the Botanical Garden, it was crowded and very noisy, so I was happy to see some white-



eyes in the canopy. The newly split and already highly endangered Sangkar White-eye *Z. melanurus* is supposed to be common there, but not when I was there.

81. **Lemon-bellied White-eye** - *Zosterops chloris*
 26 August c 10 in the plantations before the entrance of Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
 27 August 3-4 in the garden of Villa Perac, Lombok.
 31 August 1 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
82. **CRESCENT-CHESTED BABBLER** - *Stachyris melanothorax*
 31 August 1 (heard and only seen moving) Monsoon Forest, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
83. **Javan Myna** - *Acridotheres javanicus*
 18 August 2 rice fields at Villa Ayode, Kedungu, Bali.
84. **BLACK-WINGED STARLING** - *Acridotheres melanopterus*
 31 August 2 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
 After looking for c two hours we finally found two birds flying from one tree to another. My guides, Oswald and Hery had seen eight birds on this location on 29 August.
85. **BALI MYNA** - *Leucopsar rothschildi*
 31 August 3 Bali Barat NP, Bali.
 Three birds were flying free at the release centre. Oswald and Hery had seen four birds on 29 August, but the fourth (and unringed) bird was found to be caught by the local Crested Serpent-Eagle!
86. **Chestnut-backed Thrush** - *Geokichla dohertyi*
 26 August 1 (seen beautifully) Pos 1, Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
87. **Fulvous-chested Jungle Flycatcher** - *Cyornis olivaceus*
 31 August 1 (seen half a meter above the ground) Monsoon Forest, Bali Barat NP, Bali.
88. **Lesser Shortwing** - *Brachypteryx leucophrys*
 26 August 2 (adult feeding a juvenile) between Pos 1 and Pos Between, Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
89. **Pied Bush Chat** - *Saxicola caprata*
 30 August 1 (male) on the rooftop of Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali.
90. **Blue-cheeked Flowerpecker** - *Dicaeum maugei*
 26 August 3-4 in the plantations before the entrance of Gunung Rinjani NP, Lombok.
91. **Scarlet-headed Flowerpecker** - *Dicaeum trochileum*
 31 August 3 Headquarters of Bali Barat NP, Bali.
92. **Brown-throated Sunbird** - *Anthreptes malacensis*
 31 August at least 2 (females) Headquarters of Bali Barat NP, Bali.
93. **Olive-backed Sunbird** - *Cinnyris jugularis*
 Common, seen daily in gardens of Bali and Lombok.



94. **Eurasian Tree Sparrow** - *Passer montanus*
Common on both Bali and Lombok, as common as House Sparrow used to be in the Netherlands.
95. **Streaked Weaver** - *Ploceus manyar*
28 August 1 Pura Taman Ayun, Bali.
96. **Scaly-breasted Munia** - *Lonchura punctulata*
Common on Bali, with groups of up to 50 birds seen daily.
97. **Javan Munia** - *Lonchura leucogastroides*
Several birds were sleeping in the garden of Villa Perac at Lombok and gave good views.
98. **Pale-headed Munia** - *Lonchura pallida*
Seen daily in the garden of Villa Perac, Lombok, where a pair was feeding three young.
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Butterflies on Lombok (left) and Bali (right). Suggestions are welcome! © Jan van der Laan.



Blues on Bali. Again suggestions are welcome; © Jan van der Laan.



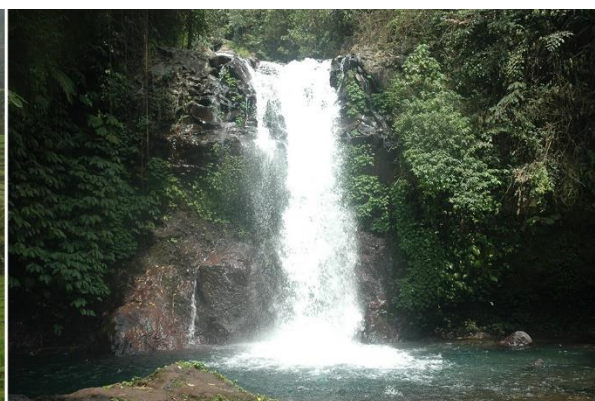
Dragonflies on Bali (left) and Lombok (right); © Jan van der Laan.



Juvenile Monitor Lizard at the swimming pool, 1 September 2011, Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



Some cultural activities we did; 19 August 2011, Ubud, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.



Rice fields and waterfall, 21 August 2011, Bedugul, Bali; 21 August 2011; © Jan van der Laan.



Left: our house on Bali (house right from the tower), 20 August 2011, Kedungu, Bali; right: Villa Perac, our house on Lombok, 29 August 2011, Senggigi, Lombok; © Jan van der Laan.



Left: beach at one of the Nanggu Islands, southern Lombok, 25 August 2011; right: garden house from where we could see dolphins, frigatebirds, Sacred Kingfisher and Greater Crested Terns, 1 September 2011, Villa Viveka, Seririt, Bali; © Jan van der Laan.