

Discover Australia: Birds and Wildlife 2024

Trip Report

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The lovely Galahs seen at Mt. Carbine Caravan Park. Photo by Marta Curti

Australia covers over 7 million kilometers squared and is the sixth largest country in the world. It encompasses a wide variety of ecosystems from deserts to alpine to rainforests, and it is home to some of the world's most unique wildlife, including monotremes and marsupials, and a host of bird species. Australia is divided into six states, each with its own attractions, ecosystems, and wildlife. During our 7-day tour, we spent our time in Queensland. In only a week, we saw over 200 bird species, a total of 17 mammals including 7 kangaroo species, 4 species of possum, and other wildlife including dingoes, bandicoots, and platypus. We also saw 8 species of reptiles and amphibians and some incredible invertebrates too! On our last day, we snorkeled the Great Barrier Reef and enjoyed the spectacular coral reefs and undersea life. Over the week, we also learned so much about the plants and animals of Australia, thanks to our very knowledgeable guide.

Tour Leader: Marta Curti

Local Guide: Jonathan Munro

Highlights of the trip

1. Watching a **Great Bowerbird** carrying a red cap to decorate its bower, purple nape feathers exposed.
2. Getting fabulous looks at a **Platypus** that swam right up to the edge of the water and spent several seconds seemingly watching us!
3. Admiring the puffed feathers of a male **Red-backed Fairywren** displaying to a female.
4. Seeing four species of opossum in one day: **Green Ringtail Possum** at Hasties Swamp and **Herbert River Ringtail**, **Coppery Brushtail**, and **Lemuroid Ringtail possums** during our night walk.
5. Spotting **Dingoes** in a field during our drive in an open field and getting to watch them for several minutes.
6. Morning feeding time for the **Rainbow Lorikeets** and **Australian King-Parrots**.
7. The **Tawny Frogmouth** nest with two nestlings beside a tree dappled with **Galahs**.
8. Seeing seven species of kangaroo over eight days.
9. Standing in the road alongside a **Southern Cassowary** and watching him for several minutes.
10. Our lovely boat ride on Daintree River where we saw beautiful **Spotted Whistling-Ducks**, a pair of nesting **Shining Flycatcher**, and two **Saltwater Crocodiles**.



Three Eastern Gray Kangaroos seen on the second day of our trip. Photo by Marta Curti

Itinerary

Day 1: November 14 — Cairns to Atherton Tablelands

After finishing up an amazing week in New Zealand, and some flight delays causing us to spend the night in Brisbane, we woke up early for our flight to Cairns. We met our guide, Jonathan, at the airport at 8 a.m. We had a quick breakfast and then headed to our first birding spot — the Cattana Wetlands. One of the first sounds we heard as we stepped out of the car was the lovely song of the **Green Orioles** calling in the trees. As we walked the trail to a hide overlooking the wetlands, we got some nice looks at a male **Sahul Sunbird** flitting about in a tree. Once at the hide, we observed several water birds including **Royal Spoonbill**, **Magpie Goose**, **Pacific Black Duck**, **Black-fronted Dotterels**, **Common Greenshank**, and **Latham's Snipe**.



A Comb-crested Jacana showing off its very long toes. Photo by Marta Curti

After several minutes, we left the hide and slowly made our way along a dirt path that circled the beautiful wetlands area. We watched an **Australian Darter** feeding on a crayfish and beautiful **Comb-crested Jacanas** walking along the aquatic vegetation, showing off their extremely long toes. We picked up several lifers for the group including **Yellow**, **Brown**, and **Brown-backed Honeyeaters**, as well as **Australasian Figbird**. The walk back to the car was through a lovely rainforest. About mid-way, we stopped at a spot where Jonathan had known **Lovely Fairywrens** to be seen. And, after only a few moments, two of these absolutely stunning birds appeared, darting about in the trees. We watched them for a few moments and then continued along the trail towards the exit. There, we spotted an **Orange-footed Megapode** foraging for food by pushing aside the leaves on the ground.

But, it wasn't just birds and lovely scenery. We also saw some nice invertebrates including **Oakblue Butterfly**, and **Iridescent** and **Yellow flutterers** (dragonflies), and our first of several

reptiles seen on the trip, **Kreff's River Turtle**. We also enjoyed learning a lot about the general ecology of Australia's flora and fauna from our knowledgeable guide!

After about an hour and a half enjoying the wetlands, we drove to a lunch spot in Centenary Park. We had a great meal, and in the parking lot as we were leaving, we picked up several more lifers for the group including **Willie-wagtail**, **Peaceful Dove**, **Olive Oriole**, and the amazing **Blue-faced** and **White-throated honeyeaters**.

We then continued on to our next destination, with a detour to do some birding along some dirt roads lined with forest on each side and some streams. This was a very productive drive! Seemingly, bird after bird was popping up. In total, we saw 22 species along this route. Some highlights included **White-browed Robin**, **Double-barred Finch**, **Varied Triller**, **Pale-headed Rosella**, **Sahul Cicadabird**, and a **Rufous Whistler** feeding on a stick insect. We also got our first fleeting views of a **Brown Goshawk** soaring quickly past us high above. In addition, we saw our first mammal for the trip — an **Agile Wallaby**. We arrived at Emerald Creek Falls and did a short walk through the forest. Apart from the beautiful scenery, a **Frill-necked Lizard** clinging to the side of a tree along the trail and **Eastern Yellow Robin** also clinging to the side of a tree, were the highlights.



Eastern Yellow Robin seen at Emerald Creek Falls. Photo by Marta Curti

After a full day of birding, we made our way to our lodge, passing through farm fields and forests. In one field, we stopped to watch over 200 **Red-tailed Black-Cockatoos** sitting, flying, and calling. It was an amazing sighting! After stopping for some photos, we drove on and continued to what would be our home for the next three nights — the Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat. We checked in and rested before heading to Nick's Restaurant in town for dinner. On the way back to our lodge, we spotted more mammals along the road, both **Northern Brown** and **Long-nosed bandicoots**, and **Red-legged Pademelon**. What a wonderful introduction to birding and wildlife watching in Australia.

Day 2: November 15 — Atherton Tablelands to Ravenshoe

We met Jonathan at 6 a.m. for some birding around our hotel grounds. Right away we saw some good birds including **Victoria's Riflebird**, **Pied Currawong**, **Rufous Shrikethrush**, **Helmeted Friarbird**, **Silvereye**, **Pale-yellow Robin**, and **Barred Cuckooshrike**, to name just a few. At 8:30, we made our way to the lodge's reception area, where they have set up a feeding station. **Rainbow Lorikeets** and **Australian King-Parrots** dotted the trees above, and were busy at the feeders, alongside many **Australian Bushturkeys**.



Australian King-Parrot perched above the feeders at the Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat.
Photo by Marta Curti

After several minutes enjoying these colorful and active birds, we walked a short way to a small blind, where a different type of animal was coming in to feed. Here, we got terrific views of several **Musky Rat-Kangaroo**, an endemic to Australia's northeastern rainforests and the world's smallest kangaroo.

After a good while, we tore ourselves away and went to Gillies Cafe and Bar for breakfast. Here we got really nice looks at a **Lewin's Honeyeater** that came very close to our table, and another lifer, a **Whistling Kite** flew overhead. We also got closeup looks at **Willie-wagtails** and **Australasian Figbird**. After a delicious meal, we made our way to Hasties Swamp, a beautiful wetland area with a well designed hide. Here, we picked up several more lifers for the group. **Plumed** and **Wandering whistling-ducks**, **Scarlet Myzomela**, and **Golden Whistler** were some of the highlights. As we were busy watching birds, Jeanette spotted a **Green Ringtail Possum** in the tree. It was perfectly content hanging out on a large branch up in the tree as we watched it and photographed it for several minutes.

After a productive morning, we headed out to do some birding on a private reserve owned by our guide. As we were driving along, Jonathan spotted a **Great Bowerbird**. We pulled into the parking



Green Ringtail Possum high in a tree at Hasties Swamp. Photo by Marta Curti

area where he had seen the bird fly into. Though we didn't see it again that day, we got two lovely birds right there — **Crested Pigeon** and **Buff-banded Rail**.

Our main target for the visit to the private reserve was **Golden Bowerbird**. We drove a few kilometers in and then parked the car. Following a narrow path through the forest, we arrived at the bower. But, things weren't looking good. The bower itself had clearly not been attended to in a while as leaves dotted the bower and Jonathan told us that the male here normally keeps his bower impeccable. So, it seemed as if he hadn't been present in a while. Even so, we decided to



Male Golden Bowerbird. Photo by Marta Curti

wait, just in case. After about ten minutes or so, we heard the male vocalize once! We searched the trees and suddenly the beautiful golden male appeared. It was quite cooperative and we were able to watch it for several minutes! While on the property, we also saw **White-headed Pigeon**, and heard **Victoria's Riflebird** and **Superb Fruit-Dove**.

After leaving the private reserve, we continued our drive toward a billabong, and at various stops along the way, we continued to pick up new birds for the tour including **Squatter Pigeon**, **White-winged Triller**, **Dusky Moorhen**, **Common Bronzewing**, and **Australian Bustard**. We also got a slightly better sighting of **Brown Goshawk** and some members of the group saw a **Pacific Baza** fly over. At the billabong we saw **White-bellied Sea-Eagle**, **Forest Kingfisher**, **Australian Ibis**, and more.

We saw other mammals as well. Several **Whiptail (Pretty-faced) Wallabies** and **Eastern Gray Kangaroos** were standing just along the edge of the road, and in a field we spotted a young, lone **Dingo**! As we scanned, we saw several more further off in the distance. It was an exciting sighting for the group.



Squatter Pigeon. Photo by Marta Curti

We made a quick stop at the Mt Hypipamee National Park Crater Lookout platform. We saw the beautiful **Boyd's Forest Dragon** clinging to the side of a tree, and had very nice views of **Pale-yellow Robin**. After dinner, we returned to the private reserve for our night walk. Here we saw some amazing mammals despite the nearly full moon — **Herbert River Ring-tailed Possum**, **Coppery Brush-tailed Possum**, and **Lemuroid Ring-tailed Possum**. We also picked up another reptile for the trip. Jonathan spotted a **Leaf-tailed Gecko** high in the tree. We also heard a

Southern Boobook calling in the distance. On the way back to our lodge, our final sighting for the day was of an **Eastern Barn Owl** perched along a fence line.

Day 3: November 16 — Winfield Park (Malanda), Etty Bay, and Malanda Falls



Male Red-backed Fairywren (left) displaying to female. Photo by Marta Curti

Before we even left our hotel grounds, we saw a pair of **Red-backed Fairywrens** in the grass at our lodge. The male spent several minutes displaying to the female. He put on quite a show, ruffling up the beautiful red feathers along his back.

Our first stop this morning was at Winfield Park. We hadn't been out of the car more than 5 minutes before Jeanette spotted a **Gray Goshawk** flying up into a tree. It hung around long enough for us to get off a few photos before it flew off. We continued walking to the rivers edge. Almost as soon as we arrived, we saw a **Black Bittern** fly up and land on a fallen branch across the stream. It stayed for at least 30 minutes. Our main target for this morning, however, was not a bird. We were in search of **Platypus**. We had a few sightings of some just beneath the surface of the water, but we were hoping for better looks. Then suddenly, one swam right up the waters edge and stayed still, almost as if it was watching us. We could make out all the details, of this spectacular animal. What a great sighting! Here, we also got great views of **Yellow-breasted Boatbill** and **Azure Kingfisher**, among other species. To top it all off, several bright blue, beautiful **Sapphire Rockmasters** (dragonfly) were perched on the rocks along the stream.

After a full morning, we headed to The Gillies Cafe and Bar for breakfast and got another lifer, the stunning **Double-eyed Fig-Parrot**. After breakfast we headed to Etty Bay in search of cassowaries. Along the way, we saw **Bar-shouldered dove**, **Black-necked Stork** and **Pacific Baza**, as well as a number of **Metallic Starling** nests on the power poles. During our search for Australias largest and possibly most iconic bird, we drove along back roads, walked a short way along the beach, and scanned peoples front yards. Finally on our way out, Jonathan spotted a

male **Southern Cassowary** walking in front of someones house, peaking in the door. We watched it for a few minutes until it disappeared behind the house.



Our first sighting of a Double-eyed Fig Parrot. Photo by Marta Curti

View of one of Sri Lanka's most famous landmarks. Sigirva. Photo by Jose Vargaas

We then visited Malanda Falls Conservation Park and walked along the lovely forest trail. Here, we saw **Red-legged Pademelon**, another **Platypus** briefly, and got great views of **Wompoo Fruit-Dove**, and got our first looks at **Spotted Catbird**. Elcira spotted a bird moving in the trees, which was another lifer for the group, the **Bower's Shrikethrush**. We then drove to the Curtain Fig Tree loop trail to see the amazing tree that gives this trail its name. Here we got great looks at a very cooperative **Rose-crowned Fruit-Dove**, and also heard **Superb** and **Wompoo fruit-doves**.

We then drove along the Stone House road in search of tree kangaroos, but didn't see any. Instead, we saw **Sulphur-Crested Cockatoos**, **Brown Goshawk**, and a lifer **Crimson Rosella**.

We made one last stop at Mount Hypipamee National Park to see if we can spot another **Southern Cassowary**. We got very lucky. A young male was wandering along the side of the road. We spent about 10 minutes or so observing it as it walked back and forth along the road, walking toward us at one point, before disappearing into the forest.

After a wonderfully productive day, we returned to Nicks for a nice dinner. Just at sunset, Jonathan asked us to step outside. There we saw several **Spectacled Flying-fox** heading out from roost to begin a night of foraging. On our drive back to the hotel, we spotted two **Northern Brown Bandicoots** and a **Dingo**.

Day 4: November 17 — Granite Gorge to Daintree

We had a final morning of birding at our lodge. Here we picked up the lovely **Mistletoebird**, and got really nice views of **Macleay's Honeyeater**, **Sulphur-crested Cockatoos** flying over, and **Laughing Kookaburra**, among other species. After a delicious breakfast, we headed to Granite

Gorge Natural Park to watch for **Mareeba Rock Wallabies**. We saw a handful of them resting in the shade among the beautiful boulders - the dominant species on the landscape.



A Great Bowerbird's bower (left) and the bird, purplish nape feathers exposed, decorating its bower.
Photos by Marta Curti

After departing Granite Gorge, we made a quick stop at Memorial Lake Mitchell. Here, we picked up more lifers for the trip — **Radjah Shelduck** and **Fairy Martin**, and saw a **Whistling Kite** feeding on something in the distance. We then made our way to Mt. Carbine Caravan Park. Despite the heat, we got some great views of some really spectacular birds. Just outside the park we saw a **Great Bowerbird**, showing off its purple nape feathers, as it carried a red plastic cap and laid it at the bower — a busy decorator. We also saw **Apostlebird**, **Little Friarbird**, **Pale-headed Rosella**, and **Black-faced** and **White-bellied cuckooshrikes**. As we walked around the park, we continued to add birds to our life list including about a dozen **Galahs** perching in the trees above, five **Tawny Frogmouths**, including an adult and two young, as well as **Blue-headed Honeyeater**. We also heard **Blue-winged Kookaburras**, but they flew out of sight before we were able to spot them.



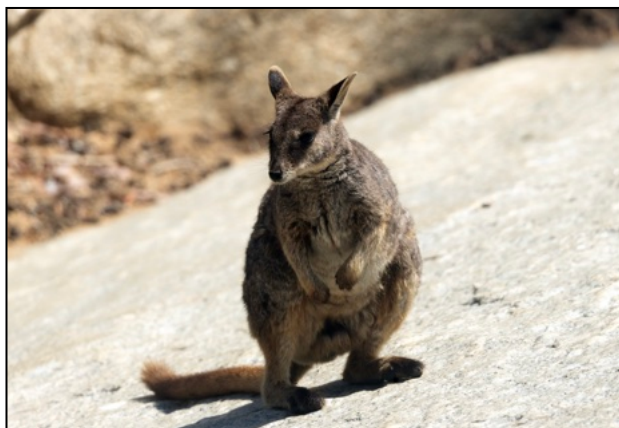
A trio of Tawny Frogmouths (parent and nestlings). Photo by Marta Curti

After we left the park, we made quick stop for lunch and picked up another lifer as we were eating - the **Cryptic Honeyeater**. We also enjoyed watching **Rainbow Lorikeets** and **Australasian Figbirds** hanging about in the trees.

We continued on to Abattoir Wetlands. As we were driving, Jeanette spotted two **Black-necked Storks** in field and we stopped to get a better look. Once at the wetlands, we walked a small circuit and stayed for a few moments in a blind, but most of the pond was dried up. Here, we heard **Spotted Pardalote** and **Gray Fantail** but didn't see them. However, we got nice looks at **Rufous Shrikethrush**, **White-cheeked Honeyeater**, and **Black Kite**. We also had our first amphibian for the trip, the lovely **White-lipped Tree Frog**. We continued our drive and made it to Daintree about an hour before dark, checked into our lovely hotel, had a nice dinner and got some rest after a long but fruitful day.

Day 5: November 18 — Daintree

We got an early start this morning with a quick stop at the Daintree River and got some nice looks at **Sahul Sunbird** and **Bar-shouldered Dove**. We then drove out to Steven's Creek and our main target for today was the **Buff-breasted Paradise-Kingfisher**. Almost right away, we began to hear a few kingfishers calling along a dry riverbed alongside the road. As the morning progressed, the birds moved closer. Despite our searching, we couldn't quite get a look at the kingfishers as they were tucked away in the trees. We then walked to a forested trail nearby, hoping to see them cross in front of us. We caught a few glimpses, but never got a really clear sighting. Despite that, we had a great morning and saw some other really nice birds including **Peregrine Falcon** that flew in front



Four of the seven kangaroo species we observed during our trip, clockwise starting from the top left: Mareeba Rock Wallaby, Eastern Gray Kangaroo, Musky Rat-Kangaroo, and Whiptail Wallaby. Photos by Marta Curti

of our car, **Yellow-spotted Honeyeater** and really nice looks at a male and female **Shining Flycatcher**.

We then returned to our lodge for breakfast before heading down into Daintree. Here, we switched our focus from birds to the wonderful flora and invertebrates found in the Daintree. We enjoyed strolling along the Marrdja Botanical Walk and Dubuji Rainforest Boardwalk trail. Here we saw quite a few interesting animals. We saw two types of fish, **Sooty Grunter** and **Snakehead Gudgeon**, a **Golden Orb-Weaver**, as well as the fascinating **Peppermint Stick Insect**, which sprays a fluid said to smell like peppermint as a defense. Thus its name! We made our final stop for the day at Cowie Beach to search for Blue Soldier Crabs. Though we didn't see any crabs, we got a few new lifers for the trip: **Pacific Reef-Heron**, **Red-necked Stint**, **Pacific** and **Siberian sand-plovers**, and **Gray-tailed Tattler**, among others. We then returned to our beautiful lodge for the evening.



Peppermint Stick Insect in Daintree. Photo by Marta Curti

Day 6: December 19 — Daintree River Boat Cruise, Port Douglas, and Cairns

We woke up a bit earlier this morning and headed to the Daintree River for a short cruise. While we were waiting for the rest of the group to arrive, one of the boat guides took us down the river to see a flock of 14 **Spotted Whistling-Ducks** perched on a branch over the river. They stayed for just a few moments before flying off. It was a great sighting and we are very grateful to this guide for going out of his way to show us these birds!

The cruise itself was lovely. The ride was peaceful and beautiful, with some large trees lining the bank. We saw a few raptors from the boat including **Osprey** and **Black-tailed Kite**. We also saw a pair of nesting **Shining Flycatcher**, the male and the female each taking turns tending the nest. We got great views of a flock of **Chestnut-breasted Munia**, another lifer for the group and a stunning bird! And we saw two new reptiles for the tour, **Saltwater (Estuarine) Crocodile** and **Eastern Water Dragon**.

We then returned to Steven's Creek to search for the Buff-breasted Paradise-Kingfisher again. Again, we heard a couple calling from nearby, and caught glimpses of it as it flew from its hiding

spot deep in the trees. Because we had to return to Cairns today, we decided to move on. On the way out, we got another lifer mammal for the group. We spotted two **Swamp Wallabies**, a mother and a joey crossing the road!!

We made several stops along the way back to our hotel in Cairns. We stopped at Port Douglas, the Cairns Botanical Gardens, and the Cairns Esplanade to do some birding. We picked up some nice sightings including a **Dusky Moorhen** and **Australian Figbird** feeding young, and picked up a few more lifers for the trip including **Varied Honeyeater** and **Australian Tern**. When we returned to our hotel, an adult and young **Bush Thick-knee** were wandering around the parking lot!

Day 7: November 20 — Michaelmas Island, Snorkeling the Great Barrier Reef

Today we took a boat trip to do some birding and to enjoy snorkeling at the Great Barrier Reef. We boarded the boat and were underway at around 8 a.m. Our first stop was Michaelmas Island, a roughly two hour ride from Cairns. The island was filled with nesting seabirds, including **Brown Noddies**, **Brown Boobies**, and **Great Frigatebirds**. Several other seabirds were flying around the island including **Sooty**, **Bridled**, **Black-naped**, **Lesser Crested**, and **Great Crested terns**. We also spotted **Red-footed Boobies** perched on a buoy. After a nice buffet lunch on the boat, our next stop was at a nice snorkeling site at the Great Barrier Reef. The water was a bit choppy, but we still were able to enjoy the beautiful colors of the coral, a plethora of colorful fish, a sea cucumber, and more. It was a fabulous end to a terrific trip. But, we still had one more stop to make. We returned to the Esplanade and picked up new birds for the trip including a lifer for the group - **Terek Sandpiper**! We returned to our hotel for our final dinner and to get ready for our flights tomorrow.



One of the Dingoes we spotted during the tour. Photo by Marta Curti

Day 8: November 21 — Departure

This morning, after breakfast, we dropped Jeanette and Elcira off at the Cairn's Airport for their early morning flight.

Thanks!

As always, we want to thank Jeanette and Elcira for being part of this tour. We also thank our great local guide, Jonathan Munro, who showed us some amazing wildlife and shared his wide array of knowledge with us about Australia's flora and fauna. And a warm thank you to the guide on Daintree River who went out of his way to show us the Spotted Whistling-Ducks before they flew off.

Wildlife Observation List

Birds

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Common Name	Scientific Name	Notes
1 Southern Cassowary	<i>Casuarius casuarius</i>	2 seen: one near Etty Bay and another in the Mt. Hypipamee NP Picnic Area
2 Magpie Goose	<i>Anseranas semipalmata</i>	Fairly common and seen throughout the trip around water bodies
3 Spotted Whistling-Duck	<i>Dendrocygna guttata</i>	14 seen along the Daintree River
4 Plumed Whistling-Duck	<i>Dendrocygna eytoni</i>	Seen at Hasties Swamp
5 Wandering Whistling-Duck	<i>Dendrocygna arcuata</i>	11 seen at Hasties Swamp
6 Black Swan	<i>Cygnus atratus</i>	Fairly common and seen throughout the trip around water bodies
7 Radjah Shelduck	<i>Radjah radjah</i>	Seen along the Daintree River, Lake Mitchell, and at the Warri Park Wetland in Port Douglas
8 Green Pygmy-Goose	<i>Nettapus pulchellus</i>	Common and seen often throughout the tour at water bodies
9 Maned Duck	<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	49 seen during the tour at Hasties Swamp and Innot Hot Springs
10 Pacific Black Duck	<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Over 70 seen during tour, mainly in Cattana Wetlands, Hasties Swamp, and Centenary Lakes
11 Gray Teal	<i>Anas gracilis</i>	Seen at Hasties Swamp and Innot Hot Springs. 16 seen during the tour
12 Hardhead	<i>Aythya australis</i>	6 seen at Hattie's Swamp
13 Australian Brushturkey	<i>Alectura lathami</i>	Very common; seen often throughout the tour
14 Orange-footed Megapode	<i>Megapodius reinwardt</i>	Very common; seen often throughout the tour
15 Rock Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	Seen mostly in Cairns
16 White-headed Pigeon	<i>Columba leucomela</i>	2 seen at our guide's private property
17 Spotted Dove	<i>Spilopelia chinensis</i>	1 seen at the Ferrero Road Wetland (Port Douglas)

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Notes
18	Brown Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia phasianella</i>	7 seen on the tour, including at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat, Winfield Park and Abattoir Swamp
19	Pacific Emerald Dove	<i>Chalcophaps longirostris</i>	3 seen on the tour, at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat and along the road
20	Common Bronzewing	<i>Phaps chalcoptera</i>	2 total seen on the tour
21	Crested Pigeon	<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	16 seen during the tour, mostly around Innot Hot Springs
22	Squatter Pigeon	<i>Geophaps scripta</i>	9 seen during the tour at Innot Hot Springs, Granite Gorge Nature Park, and Mt. Carbine Caravan Park
23	Peaceful Dove	<i>Geopelia placida</i>	21 seen during the tour
24	Bar-shouldered Dove	<i>Geopelia humeralis</i>	Several seen throughout the tour, including from the Daintree River Cruise and Cairns Esplanade
25	Wompoo Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus magnificus</i>	Seen well at Daintree Ecolodge, and Malanda Falls
26	Superb Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus superbus</i>	Heard several times throughout the tour
27	Rose-crowned Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus regina</i>	1 seen at the Curtain Fig Tree walking trail
28	Torresian Imperial-Pigeon	<i>Ducula spilorrhoa</i>	67 seen throughout the tour, fairly common in most areas
29	Topknot Pigeon	<i>Lopholaimus antarcticus</i>	11 seen in total at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat and in Daintree
30	Australian Bustard	<i>Ardeotis australis</i>	2 seen along the Herbert River Road toward Innot Hot Springs
31	Pheasant Coucal	<i>Centropus phasianinus</i>	7 seen and heard during the tour
32	Pacific Koel	<i>Eudynamys orientalis</i>	4 heard during our tour
33	Channel-billed Cuckoo	<i>Scythrops novaehollandiae</i>	1 seen at Rose Gums Wilderness Lodge
34	Little Bronze-Cuckoo	<i>Chalcites minutillus</i>	5 seen during the tour, with great looks at 1 at Centenary Lakes
35	Sahul Brush Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis variolosus</i>	1 seen during Daintree River cruise
36	Tawny Frogmouth	<i>Podargus strigoides</i>	5 seen at Mt. Carbine Caravan Park, including an adult with 2 young
37	Australian Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus terraereginae</i>	Common and seen often throughout the tour
38	Buff-banded Rail	<i>Gallirallus philippensis</i>	2 seen during the tour
39	Dusky Moorhen	<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	9 total seen on the tour, near Innot Hot Springs and Warri Park Wetland
40	Australasian Swamphen	<i>Porphyrio melanotus</i>	Fairly common and seen throughout the trip around water bodies and in fields
41	Pale-vented Bush-hen	<i>Amaurornis moluccana</i>	1 along Henry Hannam Drive
42	Sarus Crane	<i>Antigone antigone</i>	Dozens seen in open fields

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43 Brolga	<i>Antigone rubicunda</i>	Approximately 100 seen in an open field along Herbert River Road
44 Bush Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus grallarius</i>	Seen at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat and in Cairns outside our hotel
45 Pied Stilt	<i>Himantopus leucocephalus</i>	8 total seen at Hastites Swamp and Lake Mitchell
46 Pacific Golden-Plover	<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>	Several seen at Cowie Beach
47 Black-fronted Dotterel	<i>Thinornis melanops</i>	6 seen during the tour at Cattana Wetlands, Daintree River, and Warri Park
48 Masked Lapwing	<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Common and seen often throughout the tour
49 Siberian Sand-Plover	<i>Anarhynchus mongolus</i>	Several seen during tour at Cowie Beach
50 Greater Sand-Plover	<i>Anarhynchus leschenaultii</i>	2 seen at Cowie Beach, Daintree NP
51 Comb-crested Jacana	<i>Irediparra gallinacea</i>	Seen regularly in wetland areas
52 Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	Seen from the Cairns Esplanade
53 Far Eastern Curlew	<i>Numenius madagascariensis</i>	Seen from the Cairns Esplanade
54 Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	34 seen at Cairns Esplanade
55 Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>	2 seen at Cairns Esplanade
56 Latham's Snipe	<i>Gallinago hardwickii</i>	Seen at Cattana Wetlands
57 Terek Sandpiper	<i>Xenus cinereus</i>	1 seen from the Cairns Esplanade
58 Gray-tailed Tattler	<i>Tringa brevipes</i>	8 seen at Cowie Beach and Cairns Esplanade
59 Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	1 seen at Cattana Wetlands and 1 at Cairns Esplanade
60 Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	5 seen on Michaelmas Island
61 Great Knot	<i>Calidris tenuirostris</i>	1 seen at Cairns Esplanade
62 Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	<i>Calidris acuminata</i>	1 seen at Cowie Beach, Daintree
63 Red-necked Stint	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>	17 seen at Cowie Beach and Cairns Esplanade
64 Silver Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus novaehollandiae</i>	Seen from Cowie Beach, Great Barrier Reef Boat, and Cairns Esplanade
65 Brown Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus</i>	Many seen on Michaelmas Island
66 Sooty Tern	<i>Onychoprion fuscatus</i>	Dozens seen nesting on Michaelmas Island
67 Bridled Tern	<i>Onychoprion anaethetus</i>	A few seen from Michaelmas Island
68 Australian Tern	<i>Gelochelidon macrotarsa</i>	Seen from the Cairns Esplanade
69 Black-naped Tern	<i>Sterna sumatrana</i>	A few seen from Michaelmas Island
70 Lesser Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bengalensis</i>	Many seen on Michaelmas Island
71 Great Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>	Many seen on Michaelmas Island

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72	Australasian Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Several seen throughout tour at various water bodies
73	Black-necked Stork	<i>Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus</i>	3 total seen on the tour
74	Great Frigatebird	<i>Fregata minor</i>	A few seen from Michaelmas Island
75	Red-footed Booby	<i>Sula sula</i>	A few seen from Michaelmas Island
76	Brown Booby	<i>Sula leucogaster</i>	Dozens seen nesting on Michaelmas Island
77	Australasian Darter	<i>Anhinga novaehollandiae</i>	6 seen during the tour at Cattana Wetlands and other wetland areas
78	Little Pied Cormorant	<i>Microcarbo melanoleucos</i>	13 seen during the tour
79	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	1 seen at Hasties Swamp
80	Little Black Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	3 total seen at Hasties Swamp, Winfield Park, and Centenary Lakes
81	Australian Ibis	<i>Threskiornis molucca</i>	Common and seen often throughout the tour
82	Straw-necked Ibis	<i>Threskiornis spinicollis</i>	24 seen during the tour, with good looks at Cattana Wetlands
83	Royal Spoonbill	<i>Platalea regia</i>	Seen at Cattana Wetlands and Centenary Lakes
84	Black Bittern	<i>Botaurus flavicollis</i>	2 seen, at Winfield Park and Centenary Lakes
85	Nankeen Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax caledonicus</i>	4 observed during tour at Cattana Wetlands, Innot Hot Springs, and Cairns Esplanade
86	Pacific Reef-Heron	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	1 seen at Cowie Beach, Daintree
87	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	Seen regularly in wetland areas
88	Pied Heron	<i>Egretta picata</i>	1 observed at Hasties Swamp
89	White-faced Heron	<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	3 total seen on tour at Cairns Esplanade, Daintree River Boat Cruise, and along Henry Hannam Drive
90	Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>	2 seen along the Daintree River
91	Eastern Cattle-Egret	<i>Ardea coromanda</i>	Over 80 seen during the tour
92	Pacific Heron	<i>Ardea pacifica</i>	1 observed at Abattoir Swamp
93	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	7 seen on the tour, including at Innot Hot Springs, Cairns Esplanade, Daintree, and Hasties Swamp
94	Plumed Egret	<i>Ardea plumifera</i>	2 total seen on the tour at Innot Hot Springs and Cairns Esplanade
95	Australian Pelican	<i>Pelecanus conspicillatus</i>	28 observed during the tour
96	Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	1 seen during Daintree River cruise
97	Black-shouldered Kite	<i>Elanus axillaris</i>	3 total seen, 1 during Daintree River cruise
98	Pacific Baza	<i>Aviceda subcristata</i>	4 total seen during the tour including at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat and in Etty Bay

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99	Gray Goshawk	<i>Tachyspiza novaehollandiae</i>	1 seen at Winfield Park
100	Brown Goshawk	<i>Tachyspiza fasciata</i>	3 seen during the tour
101	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	6 observed during the tour
102	Whistling Kite	<i>Haliastur sphenurus</i>	3 total seen at Gillies Cafe & Bar, Hasties Swamp, and feeding in a field at Memorial Mitchell
103	White-bellied Sea-Eagle	<i>Ichthyophaga leucogaster</i>	4 observed during the tour, with best looks at Hasties Swamp with 2 perched together in a tree
104	Eastern Barn Owl	<i>Tyto javanica</i>	Seen at night near Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat
105	Australian Boobook	<i>Ninox boobook</i>	Heard on our night walk on the private reserve
106	Rainbow Bee-eater	<i>Merops ornatus</i>	A total of 10 observed during the tour including at Granite Gorge Nature Park, Etty Bay Road, and Innot Hot Springs
107	Azure Kingfisher	<i>Ceyx azureus</i>	1 seen at Winfield Park and
108	Laughing Kookaburra	<i>Dacelo novaeguineae</i>	Seen perched on wires in many areas during tour
109	Blue-winged Kookaburra	<i>Dacelo leachii</i>	2 heard at the Mt. Carbine Caravan Park
110	Forest Kingfisher	<i>Todiramphus macleayii</i>	Seen at several locations during the tour
111	Torresian Kingfisher	<i>Todiramphus sordidus</i>	1 seen at Cairns Botanical Gardens
112	Sacred Kingfisher	<i>Todiramphus sanctus</i>	Observed in Hasties Swamp and Cairns Esplanade
113	Buff-breasted Paradise-Kingfisher	<i>Tanysiptera sylvia</i>	Heard, and seen fleetingly, at Steven's Creek
114	Dollarbird	<i>Eurystomus orientalis</i>	Seen occasionally along roadsides during our tour
115	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	1 seen at Steven's Creek
116	Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo	<i>Calyptorhynchus banksii</i>	Several large flocks seen
117	Galah	<i>Eolophus roseicapilla</i>	Several seen at Mt. Carbine Caravan Park
118	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	Fairly common and seen often throughout the trip
119	Australian King-Parrot	<i>Alisterus scapularis</i>	Several seen at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat
120	Red-winged Parrot	<i>Aprosmictus erythropterus</i>	11 observed during the tour
121	Crimson Rosella	<i>Platycercus elegans</i>	3 seen along Stonehouse Road
122	Pale-headed Rosella	<i>Platycercus adscitus</i>	Observed at Henry Hannam Rd, Granite Gorge Nature Park, and Mt. Carbine Caravan Park
123	Double-eyed Fig-Parrot	<i>Cyclopsitta diophthalma</i>	Seen very well feeding on the trees outside Gillies Cafe and Bar
124	Rainbow Lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus moluccanus</i>	Very common; seen often throughout the tour

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125	Spotted Catbird	<i>Ailuroedus maculosus</i>	Heard and seen occasionally during tour, with good looks at Malanda Falls
126	Golden Bowerbird	<i>Prionodura newtoniana</i>	1 seen at private reserve
127	Great Bowerbird	<i>Chlamydera nuchalis</i>	A few seen during the tour, with great looks of one working on its bower outside Mt. Carbine Caravan Park
128	White-throated Treecreeper	<i>Cormobates leucophaea</i>	1 seen at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat
129	Lovely Fairywren	<i>Malurus amabilis</i>	A pair seen at Cattana Wetlands
130	Red-backed Fairywren	<i>Malurus melanocephalus</i>	A small flock seen at Henry Hannam Drive, and a displaying pair seen at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat
131	Yellow-spotted Honeyeater	<i>Meliphaga notata</i>	Seen in Julatten and Daintree
132	Lewin's Honeyeater	<i>Meliphaga lewinii</i>	Common and seen often throughout the tour
133	Cryptic Honeyeater	<i>Meliphaga imitatrix</i>	Seen in Julatten and Daintree
134	Yellow Honeyeater	<i>Stomiopera flava</i>	Seen at several locations during the tour
135	Yellow-faced Honeyeater	<i>Caligavis chrysops</i>	2 seen at Hasties Swamp
136	Noisy Miner	<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Seen at Innot Hot Springs
137	Varied Honeyeater	<i>Gavicalis versicolor</i>	5 total seen at Cairns Esplanade
138	Brown-backed Honeyeater	<i>Ramsayornis modestus</i>	Fairly common and seen often throughout the trip
139	Dusky Myzomela	<i>Myzomela obscura</i>	Seen at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat and Daintree Village
140	Scarlet Myzomela	<i>Myzomela sanguinolenta</i>	Male and female seen at Hasties Swamp
141	Brown Honeyeater	<i>Lichmera indistincta</i>	Fairly common and seen often throughout the trip
142	White-cheeked Honeyeater	<i>Phylidonyris niger</i>	Seen at Hasties Swamp and Abattoir Swamp; 3 total seen
143	Blue-faced Honeyeater	<i>Entomyzon cyanotis</i>	Good looks at ... and Mt. Carbine Caravan Park
144	White-throated Honeyeater	<i>Melithreptus albogularis</i>	Seen well at Cattana Wetlands, Centenary Park and Henry Hannam Dr; 6 total seen
145	Macleay's Honeyeater	<i>Xanthotis macleayanus</i>	Several seen during tour, with really good looks at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat
146	Little Friarbird	<i>Philemon citreogularis</i>	1 observed at Mt. Carbine Caravan Park
147	Helmeted Friarbird	<i>Philemon buceroides</i>	Seen frequently during the tour
148	Noisy Friarbird	<i>Philemon corniculatus</i>	Seen occasionally during our tour
149	Spotted Pardalote	<i>Pardalotus punctatus</i>	1 heard at Abattoir Wetlands (CHECK)
150	Yellow-throated Scrubwren	<i>Neosericornis citreogularis</i>	1 observed in Winfield Park
151	Large-billed Scrubwren	<i>Sericornis magnirostra</i>	2 observed at Winfield Park

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152	Brown Gerygone	<i>Gerygone mouki</i>	Seen at Winfield Park and Hasties Swamp
153	Fairy Gerygone	<i>Gerygone palpebrosa</i>	A total of 2 seen during tour
154	Large-billed Gerygone	<i>Gerygone magnirostris</i>	Heard often throughout the tour, one nesting at Daintree Ecological
155	White-throated Gerygone	<i>Gerygone olivacea</i>	1 observed at Mt. Carbine Caravan Park
156	Gray-crowned Babbler	<i>Pomatostomus temporalis</i>	2 seen well at Granite Gorge Nature Park
157	Barred Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina lineata</i>	5 seen during the tour, with most sightings at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat
158	Black-faced Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>	A few seen during the tour, with good looks at Mt. Carbine Caravan Park
159	White-bellied Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina papuensis</i>	2 seen, 1 very well at Abattoir Swamp
160	White-winged Triller	<i>Lalage tricolor</i>	1 seen at Innot Hot Springs
161	Varied Triller	<i>Lalage leucomela</i>	3 total seen on tour
162	Sahul Cicadabird	<i>Edolisoma tenuirostre</i>	Seen at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat and along Henry Hannam Dr
163	Varied Sittella	<i>Daphoenositta chrysoptera</i>	A small flock seen at Henry Hannam Drive
164	Eastern Whipbird	<i>Psophodes olivaceus</i>	Heard and seen occasionally during tour
165	Bower's Shrikethrush	<i>Colluricincla boweri</i>	1 seen at Malanda Falls Conservation Park
166	Rufous Shrikethrush	<i>Colluricincla rufogaster</i>	Seen regularly, almost every day of the tour
167	Golden Whistler	<i>Pachycephala pectoralis</i>	Seen at a few stops during the tour; 5 total
168	Gray Whistler	<i>Pachycephala simplex</i>	Heard and seen occasionally during tour, with good looks in Daintree
169	Rufous Whistler	<i>Pachycephala rufiventris</i>	2 seen during the tour
170	Olive-backed Oriole	<i>Oriolus sagittatus</i>	Seen well at Centenary Park (Mareeba)
171	Green Oriole	<i>Oriolus flavocinctus</i>	Common and heard and seen often throughout the tour
172	Australasian Figbird	<i>Sphecotheres vieilloti</i>	Common and seen often throughout the tour
173	Yellow-breasted Boatbill	<i>Machaerirhynchus flaviventer</i>	1 observed in Winfield Park
174	White-breasted Woodswallow	<i>Artamus leucorhynchus</i>	Seen at a few stops during the tour; 10 total
175	Gray Butcherbird	<i>Cracticus torquatus</i>	1 seen at Innot Hot Springs
176	Pied Butcherbird	<i>Cracticus nigrogularis</i>	1 observed in Winfield Park
177	Black Butcherbird	<i>Melloria quoyi</i>	Seen at many of our stops during the tour, with good looks in Daintree
178	Australian Magpie	<i>Gymnorhina tibicen</i>	3 observed, with good looks at Mt. Carbine Caravan Park
179	Pied Currawong	<i>Strepera graculina</i>	A few seen at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat and in Etty Bay

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180	Northern Fantail	<i>Rhipidura rufiventris</i>	1 heard at Abattoir Wetlands
181	Willie-wagtail	<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Common and seen often throughout the tour
182	Gray Fantail	<i>Rhipidura albiscapa</i>	2 heard near Tully Gorge National Park
183	Spangled Drongo	<i>Dicrurus bracteatus</i>	9 observed during tour, with good looks at Cattana Wetlands
184	Victoria's Riflebird	<i>Ptiloris victoriae</i>	Good looks at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat
185	Black-faced Monarch	<i>Monarcha melanopsis</i>	3 total observed during tour at Hasties Swamp and Curtain Fig Tree trail
186	Australian Spectacled Monarch	<i>Symposiachrus trivirgatus</i>	Heard and seen occasionally during tour
187	Magpie-lark	<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Common and seen often throughout the tour, with good looks at Cairns Esplanade
188	Shining Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra alecto</i>	4 seen, at Steven's Creek and during Daintree River Cruise
189	Apostlebird	<i>Struthidea cinerea</i>	2 seen at Mt. Carbine Caravan Park
190	Torresian Crow	<i>Corvus orru</i>	3 observed at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat and Mt. Carbine Caravan Park
191	Australian Raven	<i>Corvus coronoides</i>	1 observed in Tolga
192	Lemon-bellied Flyrobin	<i>Microeca flavigaster</i>	1 observed at Emerald Creek Falls
193	Gray-headed Robin	<i>Heteromyias cinereifrons</i>	4 total seen at Malanda Falls Conservation Park and Tully Gorge National Park
194	White-browed Robin	<i>Poecilodryas superciliosa</i>	1 seen and 1 heard along Henry Hannam Drive
195	Eastern Yellow Robin	<i>Eopsaltria australis</i>	6 total seen on tour at Hasties Swamp and Emerald Creek Falls
196	Pale-yellow Robin	<i>Eopsaltria capito</i>	Several seen at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat, Mt Hypipamee National Park and Winfield Park
197	Welcome Swallow	<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Fairly common and seen throughout the trip
198	Fairy Martin	<i>Petrochelidon ariel</i>	5 seen at Memorial (Lake Mitchell)
199	Tree Martin	<i>Petrochelidon nigricans</i>	Seen at Centenary Park
200	Silveryeye	<i>Zosterops lateralis</i>	Observed at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat and along Etty Bay Road
201	Metallic Starling	<i>Aplonis metallica</i>	Fairly common and seen often throughout the trip
202	Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	Common and seen often throughout the tour
203	Mistletoebird	<i>Dicaeum hirundinaceum</i>	Seen and heard several days on the tour, with good looks at Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat
204	Sahul Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris frenatus</i>	Several seen including at Cattana Wetlands, Gillies Cafe, and Cairns Esplanade
205	Double-barred Finch	<i>Stizoptera bichenovii</i>	A small flock seen at Henry Hannam Drive
206	Chestnut-breasted Munia	<i>Lonchura castaneothorax</i>	Several dozen seen during the boat ride on Daintree River

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207	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	Seen at Centenary Park and in Cairns
208	Australian Pipit	<i>Anthus australis</i>	Seen along Etty Bay Road
209	Helmeted Guineafowl (Exotic)	<i>Numida meleagris</i>	Seen near Innot Hot Springs
210	Indian Peafowl (Exotic)	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>	3 seen near Innot Hot Springs

Mammals

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Notes
1	European Rabbit	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	Seen a few times along the road around Atherton
2	Northern Brown Bandicoot	<i>Isodon macrourus</i>	Seen at night in and around Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat
3	Long-nosed Bandicoot	<i>Perameles nasuta</i>	Seen at night in and around Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat
4	Swamp Wallaby	<i>Wallabia bicolor</i>	A mother and a Joey seen crossing the road returning from Steven's Creek
5	Red-Legged Pademelon	<i>Thylogale stigmatica</i>	Seen at night in and around Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat as well as...
6	Eastern Gray Kangaroo	<i>Macropus giganteus</i>	Several seen along road from Cairns to Atherton Tablelands
7	Agile Wallaby	<i>Notamacropus agilis</i>	Several seen throughout the tour
8	Whiptail (Pretty-faced) Wallaby	<i>Notamacropus parryi</i>	Several seen along road from Cairns to Atherton Tablelands
9	Musky Rat-Kangaroo	<i>Hypsiprymnodon moschatus</i>	Seen on the grounds of Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat
10	Mareeba Rock Wallaby	<i>Petrogale mareeba</i>	Several seen at Granite Gorge Nature Park
11	Spectacled Flying-fox	<i>Pteropus conspicillatus</i>	At dusk from Nick's Restaurant
12	Green Ringtail Possum	<i>Pseudocheirops archeri</i>	1 seen at Hastie's Swamp
13	Herbert River Ringtail Possum	<i>Pseudochirulus herbertensis</i>	1 seen on a night walk on a private reserve
14	Coppery Brushtail Possum	<i>Trichosurus johnstonii</i>	1 seen on a night walk on a private reserve
15	Lemuroid Ringtail Possum	<i>Hemibelideus lemuroides</i>	Several seen on a night walk on a private reserve, including one with young
16	Dingo	<i>Canis lupus dingo</i>	4 seen in an open field en route to...
17	Platypus	<i>Ornithorhynchus anatinus</i>	1 seen very well at Winfield Park

Reptiles & Amphibians

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Notes
1	Rough-throated Leaf-tailed Gecko	<i>Saltuarius salebrosus</i>	1 seen on a night walk on a private reserve
2	Lace Monitor	<i>Varanus varius</i>	2 seen during the tour
3	Kreff's River Turtle	<i>Emydura krefftii</i>	Seen at Cattana Wetlands and Cairn's Botanic Gardens, Centenary Lake
4	Boyd's Forest Dragon	<i>Lophosaurus boydii</i>	Several seen during the tour including at Crater Lake overlook (Mount Hypipamee NP) and at the Daintree Lodge
5	Frippy-necked Lizard	<i>Chlamydosaurus kingii</i>	1 seen along the Emerald Creek trail
6	White-lipped Tree Frog	<i>Nyctimystes infrafrenatus</i>	Seen in Daintree and 1 seen at Hastie's Swamp
7	Estuarine Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus porosus</i>	2 seen along the Daintree River
8	Eastern Water Dragon	<i>Intellagama lesueurii</i>	2 seen along the Daintree River

Other Vertebrates & Invertebrates

	Common Name	Scientific Name	Notes
1	Sooty Grunter (Fish)	<i>Hephaestus fuliginosus</i>	Several seen from the Dubudji Rainforest Boardwalk trail
2	Snakehead Gudgeon (Fish)	<i>Giuris aporocephalus</i>	Several seen from the Dubudji Rainforest Boardwalk trail
3	Iridescent Flutterer (Dragonfly)	<i>Rhyothemis braganza</i>	Seen at Cattana Wetlands
4	Yellow-striped Flutterer (Dragonfly)	<i>Rhyothemis phyllis</i>	Seen at Cattana Wetlands
5	Painted Grass hawk (Dragonfly)	<i>Neurothemis stigmatizans</i>	Several seen at Steven's Creek
6	Sapphire Rockmaster (Dragonfly)	<i>Diphlebia coerulescens</i>	4 seen at Winfield Park
7	Shining Oak-Blue (Butterfly)	<i>Arhopala micale</i>	One seen at Cattana Wetlands
8	Orange Plane (Butterfly)	<i>Pantoporia consimilis</i>	1 seen at Steven's Creek
9	Small Green Banded-Blue (Butterfly)	<i>Psychonotis caelius</i>	1 seen in Daintree
10	Peppermint Stick Insect	<i>Megacrania batesii</i>	Seen from the Dubudji Rainforest Boardwalk trail
11	Golden Orb-weaver	<i>Trichonephila edulis</i>	1 seen in Cape Tribulation
12	Northern Jeweled Spider	<i>Gasteracantha fornicata</i>	1 seen in Cape Tribulation
13	Fourmanoir's Mangrove (Grabsit) Crab	<i>Neosarmatium fourmanoiri</i>	Seen in Daintree among the mangroves