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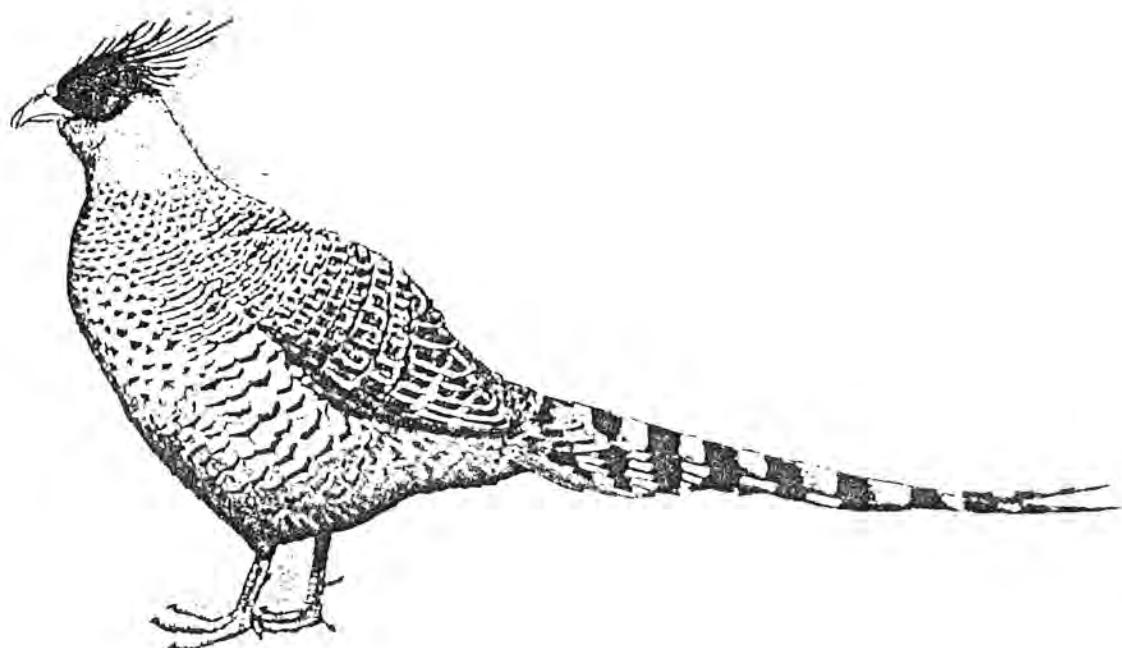
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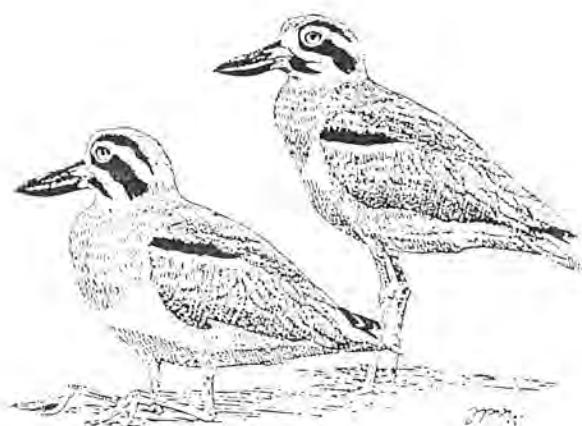
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# **Daily itinerary**

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- 3 march:      ◊arriving at Kathmandu airport 10 am.  
                  ◊Trekking permit + Asian trekking  
                  ◊Bagnati river (Tribhuvan university)
- 4 march:      ◊Phulchowki upper slopes 6.30 - 18.30
- 5.march:      ◊Phulchowki lower slopes 6.45- 17
- 6.march:      ◊drive to Pokhara : 7 to 13.30  
                  ◊forest near Pardi Dam
- 7 march:      ◊flight from Pokhara to Jomossom  
                  ◊Pokhara - Kagbeni                          (2.30 hrs)
- 8 march:      ◊Kagbeni - Muktinath                          ( 4 hrs )  
                  ◊birding monastery, pool and river
- 9 march:      ◊Muktinath - Jomossom - Marpha                  ( 7 hrs )
- 10 march:     ◊Marpha - Kalopani                          ( 7 hrs)  
                  ◊walk into forest
- 11 march:     ◊walk into forest  
                  ◊Kalopani - Ghasa                          ( 3 hrs )  
                  ◊walk near waterfalls
- 12 march      ◊Ghasa
- 13 march      ◊Ghasa
- 14 march:     ◊Ghasa - Tatopani - Ghara                          ( 10 hrs )
- 15 march :    ◊Ghara - Chitre - Ghorepani                          ( 6 hrs )  
                  ◊Poon hill pm
- 16 march:     ◊Ghorepani

- 17 march : ◊ Ghorepani  
◊ Ghorepani - Hille ( 5 hrs )
- 18 march : ◊ Hille - Birethanti ( 5.30 hrs )
- 19 march : ◊ Birethanti - Pokhara  
◊ walk from fishtail lodge to the ridge
- 20 march : ◊ drive Pokhara - Kosi barrage with taxi : 12 hrs
- 21 march : ◊ am: kosi barage  
◊ pm: kosi Tapphu
- 22 march : ◊ am: Kosi tapphu + Kosi barrage  
◊ pm: Kosi barrage + drive to Lahan
- 23 march : ◊ drive Lahan to Kathmandu
- 24 march : ◊ Phulchowki lowers sloppes to houses  
◊ shopping
- 25 march : ◊ flight back Arrival at Bruxelles : 22.30 LT



# GENERAL INFORMATIONS

## 1. Flights

We took a flight to Kathmandu via Karachi by Luftansa. Cost 34000 FB.

There is a departure tax of 14 \$.

We bought a Royal Nepal Airlines 's ticket from Pokhara to Jomossom. Cost 50\$.

The flight takes 30 minutes and provides views of the Himalayas.

It 's possible to book it from Belgium.

## 2. Taxi

We used taxi. It's a comparatively cheap way of travel -in european meaning-, comfortable (despite poor condition of roads) and in order to maximise our time.

Cost Kathmandu- Phulchowki: from 22\$ ( for the day) to 600 RN.

## 3. Money

The rate of exchange was at 1\$ = 54 rupees

1\$= 31 FB

## 4. Health

Dal baht, pizzas, chips are well cooked and safe. Avoid meat. When you see how meat is stored you will understand why it's advisable to cut it out of your diet.

We either bought bottled water. We didn't have no problems with diarrhoea or illness.

## 5. Jomossom

There are many lodges all along this trek. Most offer double rooms from 20 to 60 RN. Around Jomossom hot showers are available.

Good food is available everywhere but it's expensive. Expect to pay 500 RN per day.

Food cost the same within one village. Dal bhat is ridiculously expensive: 75 RN.

Cider,apple pies, fresh apples are available at lodges nearly all the trek.

We can recommend only a few lodges as Bob Marley at Muktinath for music, Tuckche guest house, Sahangrila lodge at Kagbeni, Eagle Nest guest house at Gasa for meeting Abinash Nepali an excellent guide for birds!

contact:

Abinash Nepali  
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# SITES

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## 1. Phulchowki

**Best birds:** Black eagle, Kalij pheasant, Speckled wood-pigeon, Blue-bearded bee-eater, short-billed minivet, long-billed thrush, rufous-chinned laughingthrush, red-faced liocichla, black-eared shrike-babbler, cutia, nepal fulvetta, whiskered yuhina, black-throated parrotbill, gould, black-throated sunbird, gold-naped finch.



## 2. Botanical gardens (Godaveri)

**Best birds:** Yellow-vented, lemon-rumped warbler, Hodgson's redstart

## 3. Pokara

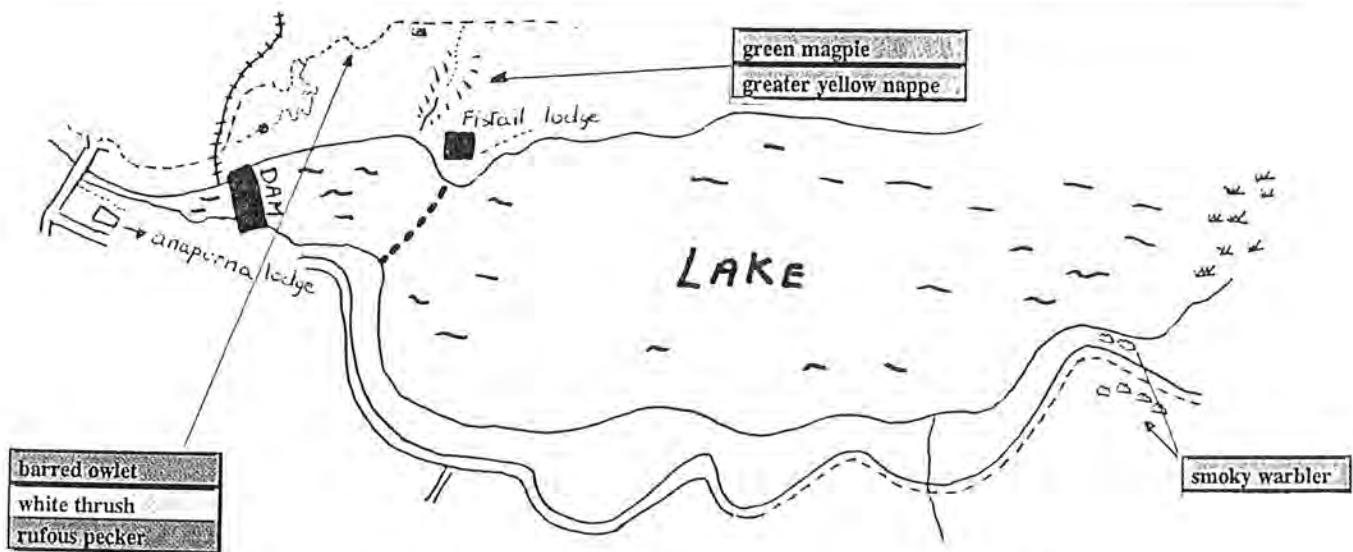
We stayed at Anapurna lodge who was close to Pardi Dam. It costed 10\$ for a double and good room

We spent several hours birding the wood to the south west of the Fishtail lodge and the paddyfields to the north of Lakeside (this with poor birding). Try to find scrubby hillsides for warblers.

For getting around the lake, bicycles can be easily hired in town for 30 RN.

**Best birds:** White-tailed eagle, asian barred owlet, rufous pecker, blue magpie, black-faced cuckoo-shrike, scaly thrush.

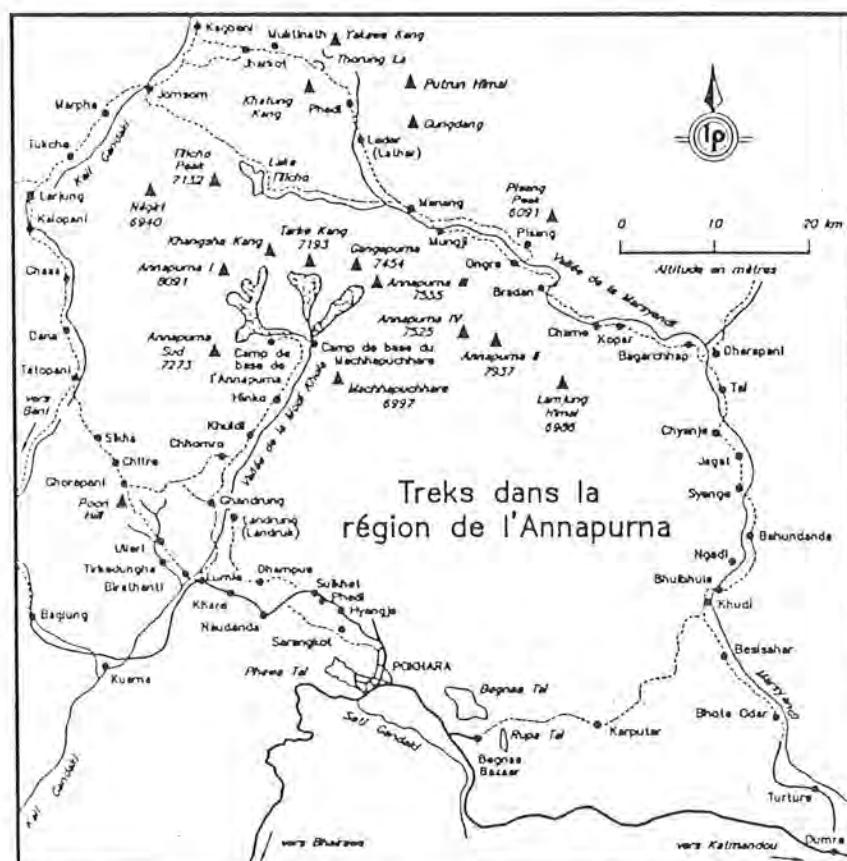




#### 4. Jomossom trek

The trail is self-evident everywhere, easy to follow and rarely very strenuous. If you are just in money, you can obviating the need of a porter or a guide. But it's cheap (2\$/day for a porter) and easier!

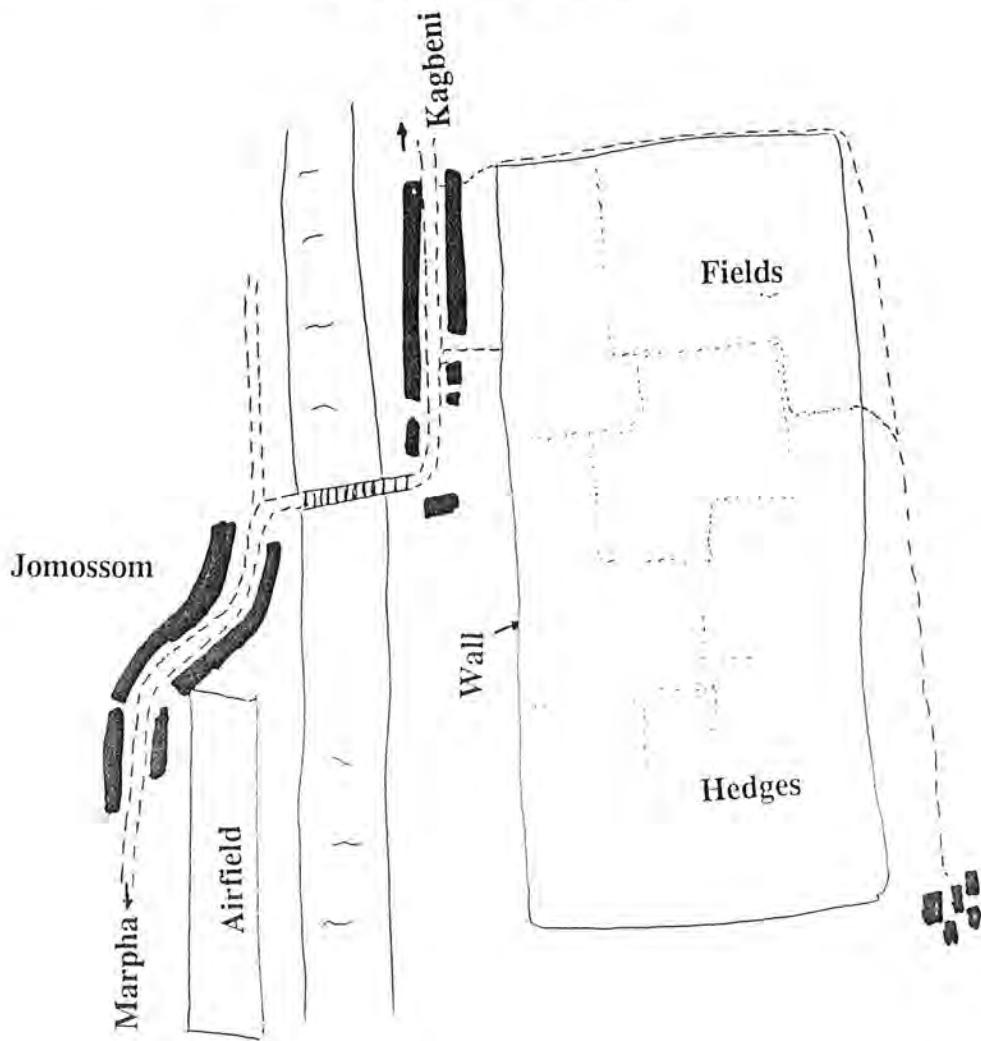
We got a trekking permit for 10\$ (2 weeks). It shoud be obtained in a couple of hours. There is also an entry fee of 650 RN because the trek is inside the Anapurna Conserivation area.



## A. Jomossom - Kagbeni

A short walk but after noon a strong wind blows up the Thak Khola making birding very difficult. We check the fields at Jomossom (very good) and upper and lowers fields at Kagbeni (very few birds).

**Best birds:** White-throated redstart, white-browed tit warbler, streaked rosefinch, white-winged grosbeak, pine bunting.



## B. Jomossom - Muktinath

Birding terraced fields below Khinja. In the afternoon, around monastery, the river and pool.

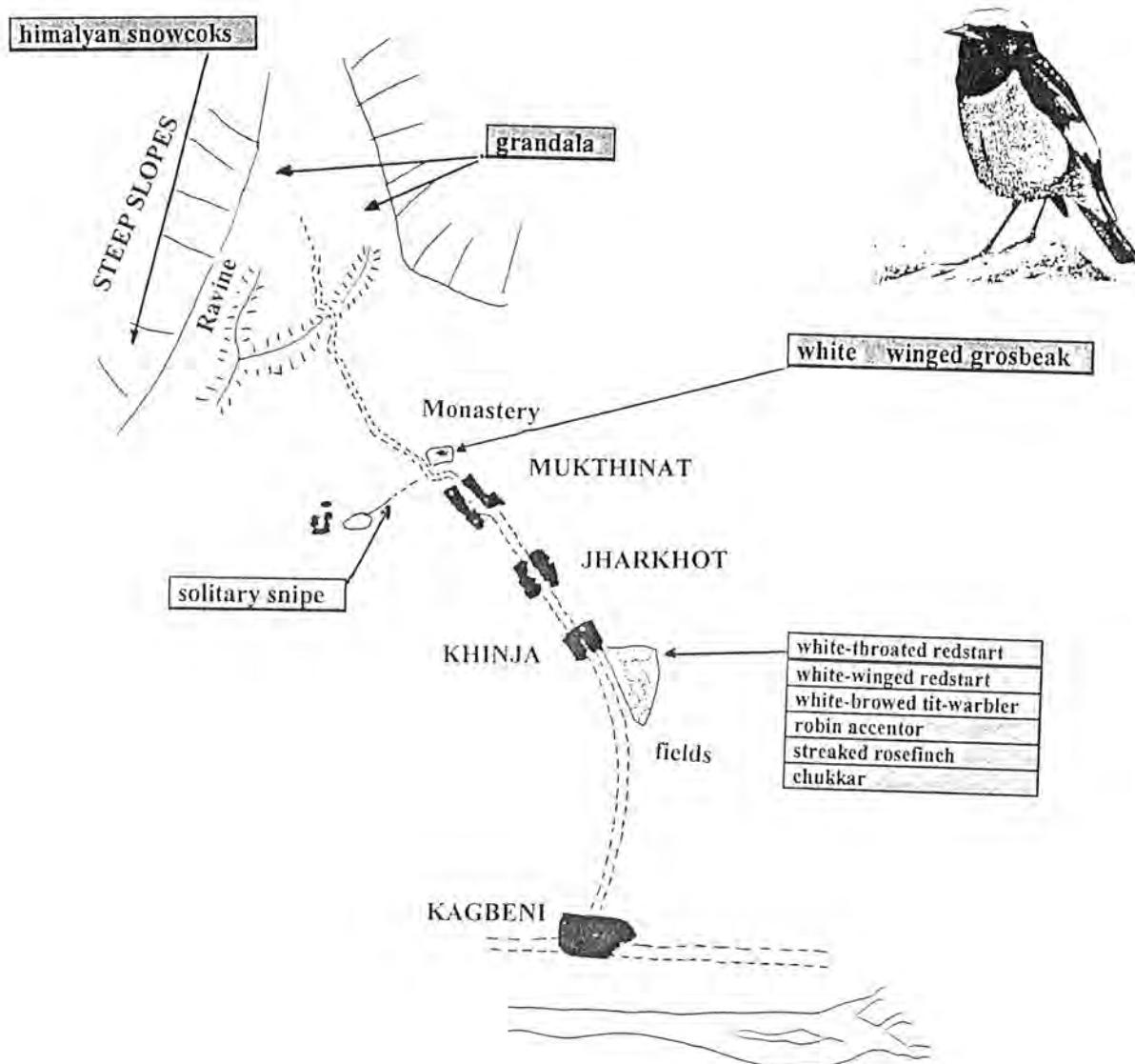
**Best birds :** Chukar, solitary snipe, white-throated redstart, white-winged redstart, white-browed tit-warbler, russet sparrow, robin accentor, fire-fronted serin, streaked rosefinch, white-winged grosbeak.

## C.Muktinath - Jomossom- Marpha

We have spend 2 hours to Thorong la Pas but it was impossible to go higher up than 4000m because of snow.

Go down very quickly to Jomossom. Trek flat from Kagbeni to Marpha as the trek follows the Thak Khola bed.

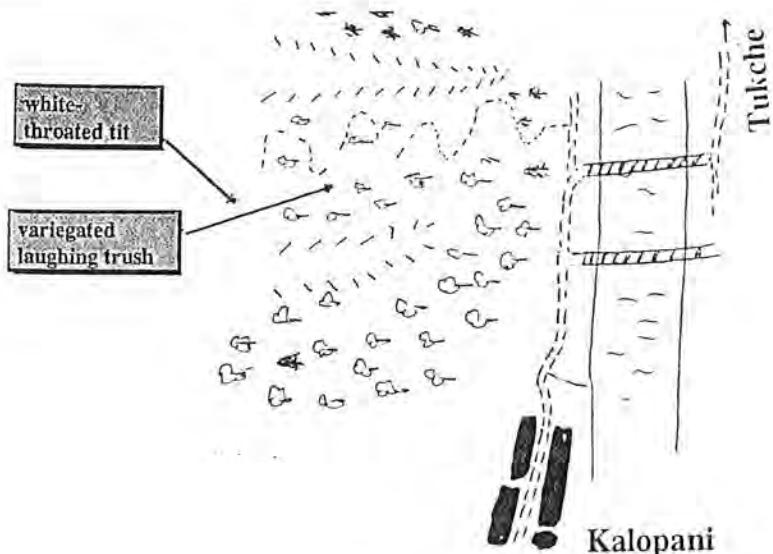
**Best birds:** Himalayan snowcock, white-winged redstart, grandala, white-browed tit warbler, alpine accentor.



## D.Marpha - Kalopani

Again an easy walk. Few birds :

Wallcreeper, bar-tailed treecreeper, black-crested tit  
at Kalopani: white-throated tit , variegated laughingthrush.



### E.Kalopani - Ghasa

There is some good forest, although we saw very little.  
In Ghasa, stay at the Eagle Nest Guest House.

**Best birds:** Collared owlet, russet sparrow.

### F. Ghasa

Good forest in this superb area although difficult to work as many of the trails are steep.  
( see Buckton's map /or ask to the owner of Eagle Nest guest house to show you the way or to meet Abinash.)

**Best birds:** Booted eagle, Hill partridge, koklass, cheer pheasant, mountain scops owl, scally-bellied woodpecker, scaly thrush, white-browed bush robin, rusty-flanked treecreeper, striated prinia, green, white-browed shrike babbler, great parrotbill, upland pipit.

(An english birder has seen satyr tragopan, chestnut thrush, grey-winged blackbird, jungle nightjar just one day before!)



### G.Ghasa - Tatopani - Ghara

Fairly long walk. Steep climbing after Tatopani.

**Best birds:** Snow pigeon, little forktail, wallcreeper, crested bunting.

## H.Ghara - Ghorepani

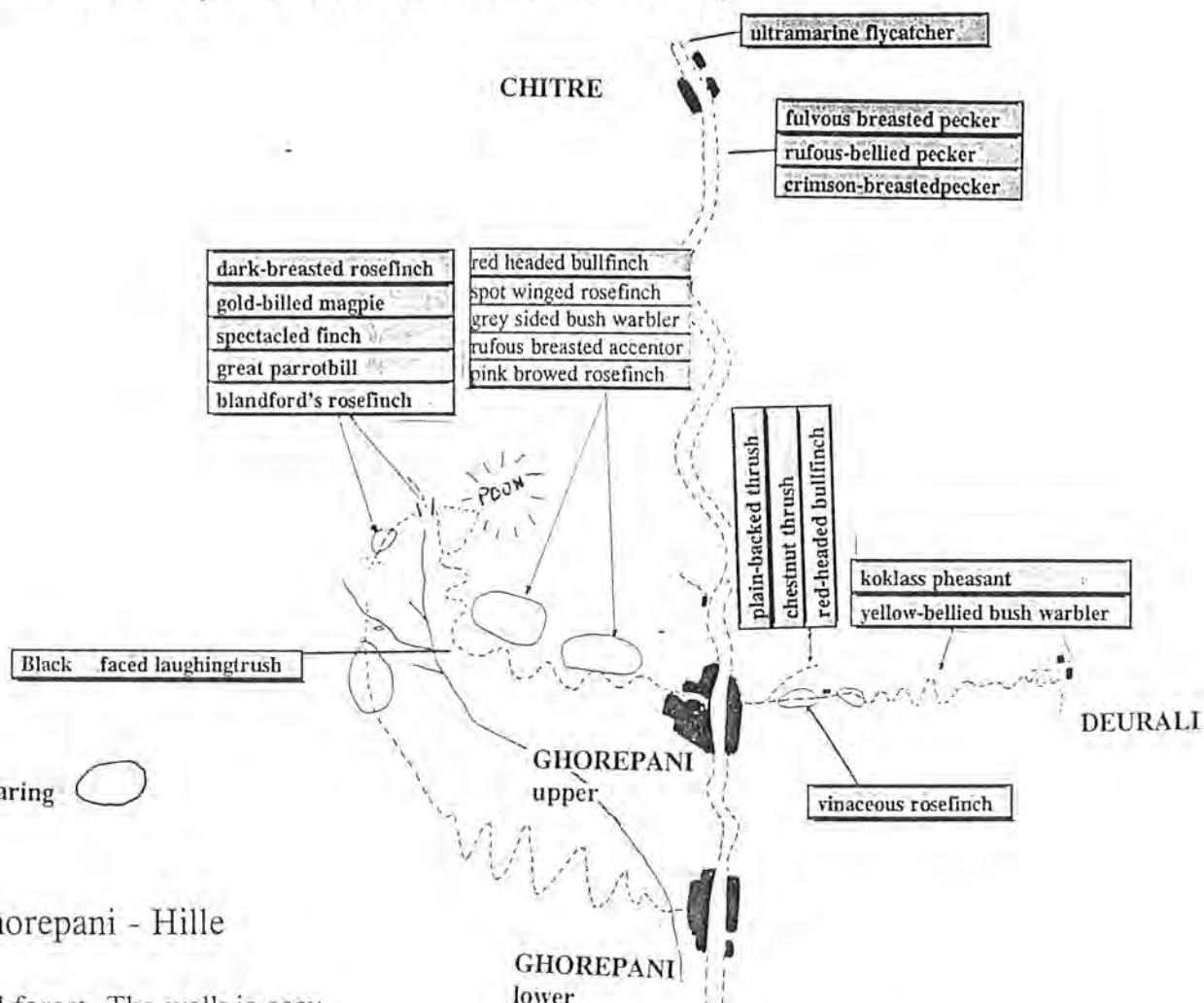
Really bad uphill. The birding along this stretch of the the trek is good before Ghorepani.

- Best birds:**
- Fulvous breasted woodpecker, grey-backed shrike, chestnut-tailed starling, ultramarine flycatcher, russet sparrow
  - Poon Hil : upland buzzard, rusty-flanked treecreeper, black-faced laughingthrush, spot-winged rosefinch, red-headed bullfinch.

## I.Ghorepani

Superb area. We saw very little on the tracks to Poon Hill and to Deurali.

Best area was the way down from Poon Hill to Lower Ghorepani.

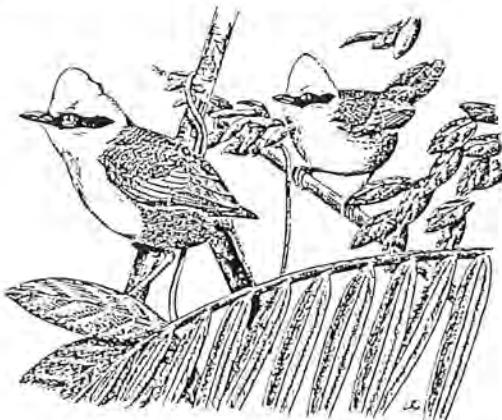


## J. Ghorepani - Hille

Good forest. The walk is easy.

- Best birds:**
- Plain-backed thrush, blue-fronted redstart, little forktail, rufous-winged fulvetta, yellow-browed tit, yellow-breasted greenfinch.

**Best birds:** Crested-serpent eagle, besra, slaty-headed parakeet, crested kingfisher, grey-capped woodpecker, blue-rock thrush, slaty-backed forktail, white-crested laughingthrush, black-headed munia, crimson sunbird.



## 5. Kosi barrage

At Kosi we stayed in a small shed provided by a restaurant owner (20 RN).

Bring your own mosquito net as there is only one.

We birdred tamarisk island, pink tower and embakement.

**Best birds:** Lesser whistling duck, black-necked stork, lesser adjutant, pied harrier  
black francolin, small pratincole, grey-headed lapwing, great black-headed gull, spotted owllet, spotted bush-wabler, White-troated buschat ?  
first summer male

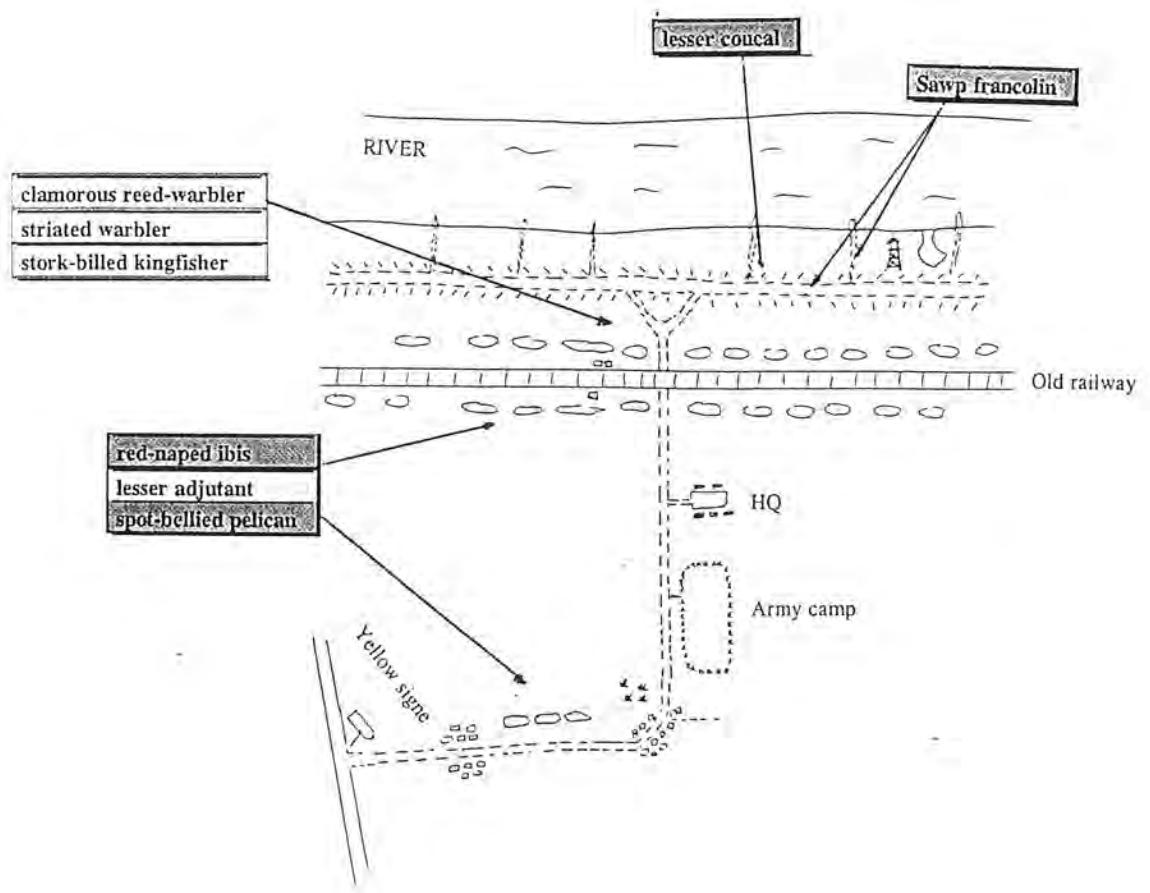
## 6. Kosi Tapphu

Accomodation can be found near the HQ (300 RN bed/breakfast/diner).

A permit for entering the park costs 650 RN (valid 2 days).

**Best birds:** Spot-billed pelican, falcated duck, ferruginous pochard, red-naped ibis,  
lesser adjutant, coppersmith barbet, common starling, jungle myna,  
stork-billed kingfisher clamorous reed-warbler, swamp francolin, lesser  
coucal, rosy pipit, black-faced, yellow-breasted bunting.





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## Codes and abbreviations

		Localities	
<b>A</b>	11 - 50 birds	<b>KV</b>	Kathmandu valley including Pulchowki
<b>B</b>	51 - 100 birds	<b>KB</b>	Kosi barrage
<b>C</b>	100 -1000 birds	<b>KT</b>	Kosi Tapphu
+	minimal numbers	<b>JO</b>	Jomossom trek
◦	bird heard and not see	<b>PO</b>	Pokhara

1. Little grebe	KB,PO : B	Tachybaptus ruficollis
2. Great crested grebe	KB : A	Podiceps cristatus
3. Little cormorant	KB,KT : C	Phalacrocorax niger
4. Great cormorant	PO,KV, KB : A	Phalacrocorax carbo
5. Oriental darter	KB: 4-5 ex.	Anhinga melanogaster
6. Spot-billed pelican	KT : 5 ex	Pelecanus philippensis
7. Lesser whistling-duck	KB: 2000 -3000 ex	Dendrocygna javanica
8. Greylag goose	1 ex in flight KT	Anser anser
9. Ruddy shelduck	KB : A	Tadorna ferruginea
10. Eurasian wigeon	KB, KT : B	Anas penelope
11. Falcated duck	KT : 2 ex very close view near the watchtower	Anas falcata
12. Gadwall	KB,KT :B	Anas strepera
13. Common teal	KB : a few A / PO :2 ex	Anas crecca
14. Mallard	KB: 3 ex	Anas platyrhynchos
15. Northern pintail	KB : C / KT : a few	Anas acuta
16. Garganey	KB, KT :C	Anas querquedula
17. Northern shoveler	KB : C / PO : 6 ex	Anas clypeata
18. Red crested pochard	KB: 4 ex	Netta rufina

19. Common pochard	KB, KT : A	Aythya ferina
20. Ferruginous pochard	KT : 13 ex very close view / KB: 5 ex	Aythya nyroca
21. Tufted duck	KB, KT : A	Aythya fuligula
22. Little egret	KV, PO, KB, KT : B or C	Egretta garzetta
23. Intermediate egret	PO, KV, KT : a few	Egretta intermedia
24. Grey heron	KB : a few	Ardea cinerea
25. Purple heron	KB : 4 ex	Ardea purpurea
26. Great egret	PO, KB, KT : A	Casmerodius albus
27. cattle egret	KV, PO, KB, KT : C	Bubulcus ibis
28. Indian pond-heron	KV, PO, KB : B- C	Ardeola grayii
29. Striated heron	KB : 1 ex	Butorides striatus
30. Black-headed ibis	KT : B and a few at KB	Threskiornis melanocephal
31. Red-naped ibis	KT : only 1 ex	Pseudibis papillosa
32. Eurasian spoonbill	KB : 6 ex	Platalea leucorodia
33. Asian openbill	KB, KT : C	Anastomus oscitans
34. Black-necked stork	KB: 3 ex	Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus
35. Lesser adjutant	KB : 4 and KT : 4 + 4 ex	Leptoptilos javanicus
36. Osprey	KB : 1 ex	Pandion haliaetus
37. Black-shouldered kite	KB : 6 ex	Elanus caeruleus
38. Black kite	common in KV, PO and lowlands	Milvus migrans
39. White-tailed eagle	PO : 1 ex in flight	Haliaeetus albicilla
40. Lammergeier	regular during the trek : 11 ex seen	Gypaetus barbatus
41. Egyptian vulture	PO : 5 ex	Neophron percnopterus
42. White-rumped vulture	PO, Terrai : 6 ex	Gyps bengalensis
43. Long-billed vulture	KB: 1 ex	Gyps indicus
44. Himalayan griffon	JO : A	Gyps himalayensis
45. Cinereous vulture	Kalopani : 1 ex	Gyps monachus
46. Red-headed vulture	Birethanti : 4 ex / KB : 1 ex	Sarcogyps calvus
47. Crested serpent eagle	JO : 2 ex near Birethanti	Spilornis cheela
48. Western marsh-harrier	KB, KT : 8 ex	Circus aeruginosus
49. Pied harrier	KB : 3 ex	Circus melanoleucus
50. Shikra	PHU, PO, KB: 1 ex	Accipiter badius

51. Besra	1 male near Birethanti	<i>Accipiter virgatus</i>
52. Eurasian sparrowhawk	a dozen	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>
53. Common buzzard	1 or 2 ex	<i>Buteo buteo</i>
54. Buzzard sp	a few seen in flight	
55. Upland buzzard	2 ex near Poon hill ( JO )	<i>Buteo hemilasius</i>
56. Black eagle	PHU: 3 ex in 2 days	<i>Ictinaetus malayensis</i>
57. Steppe eagle	KV, JO and PO : a few	<i>Aquila nipalensis</i>
58. Golden eagle	JO : 2 ex	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>
59. Bonelli's eagle	JO: 3 ex	<i>Hieraetus fasciatus</i>
60. Booted eagle	JO (Ghasa) : 1 ex	<i>Hieraetus pennatus</i>
61. Changeable hawk-eagle	1 ex dark morph in flight between KB and Chitwan	<i>Spizaetus cirrhatus</i>
62. Mountain hawk-eagle	1 ex near Birethanti	<i>Spizaetus nipalensis</i>
63. Eurasian kestrel	everywhere in small numbers, except above 2500 m	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>
64. Peregrine falcon	PO: 2 ex and a superb observation of 1 ex catching, killing and eating a hill pigeon near Ghasa	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
65. Himalayan snowcock	1 seen and 4 heard above Muktinath early morning. Difculty to locate	<i>Tetraogallus himalayensis</i>
66. Chukar	Kagbeni : a few / 50 ex in the fields at Khinjap	<i>Alectoris chukar</i>
67. Black francolin	2 heard near Ghara; 4 seen near the Pink tower at KB	<i>Francolinus francolinus</i>
68. Swamp francolin	4 seen at KT ( 2 from the watchtower on the path )	<i>Francolinus gularis</i>
69. Hill partridge	Heard but difficult to see. Just a few brief sightings	<i>Arborophila torqueola</i>
70. Koklass pheasant	Heard at Ghasa and Ghorepani ; 1 seen very well at Ghasa and 1 in flight	<i>Pucrasia macrolopha</i>
71. Kalij pheasant	4 + 1 on PHU	<i>Lophura leucomelanos</i>
72. Cheer pheasant	1 or 2 male in flight and very close for some seconds at Ghasa	<i>Catreus wallichii</i>
73. White breasted waterhen	KT, KB : A	<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>
74. Ruddy-breasted crake	KT : 3 ex	<i>Porzana fusca</i>
75. Purple swamphen	KT, KB : A	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>
76. Comon moorhen	KT, KB : A-B	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
77. Eurasian coot	KB: a few; PO : A	<i>Fulica atra</i>
78. Bronze-winged jacana	PO: 6 ex ; KT : 3 ex	<i>Metopidius indicus</i>
79. Solitary snipe	Muktinath: only 1 ex near the stream; the pool was nearly frozen	<i>Gallinago solitaria</i>
80. Common snipe	4ex : KT	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>
81. Snipe sp.	2 ex possibly pintail at KT, PO	
82. Eurasian curlew	KB: A	<i>Numenius arquata</i>

83. Common redshank	KB: a few	Tringa totanus
84. Common greenshank	KB: 2 ex	Tringa nebularia
85. Green sandpiper	KV, KB : A	Tringa ochropus
86. Wood sandpiper	KT: 4 ex	Tringa glareola
87. Common sandpiper	KV,KB: 8 ex	Tringa hypoleucus
88. Little stint	KB: 2 ex	Calidris minuta
89. Temminck's stint	KB: 1 ex	Calidris temminckii
90. Dunlin	KB: 1 ex	Calidris alpina
91. Ruff	KB: 2 ex	Philomachus pugnax
92. Great thick-knee	1 in flight on a river's island between KTH and PO + 2 more possible runing along the sand	Burhinus recurvirostris
93. Small pratincole	KB: B	Glareola lactea
94. Little ringed plover	KB : 3 ex	Charadrius dubius
95. Snowy plover	KB: 4-5 ex	Charadrius alexandrinus
96. Northern lapwing	KB : 2 ex	Vanellus vanellus
97. Grey-headed lapwing	KB: 3 ex near the Pink Tower (KB) 22/03: migrants probably	Vanellus cinereus
98. Red-wattled lapwing	PO, KB, KT: a few	Vanellus indicus
99. Great black-headed gull	KB: 10 ex	Larus ichthyaetus
100. Brown-headed gull	KB: 5 ex	Larus brunnicephalus
101. Common black-headed gull	KB: 2 ex	Larus ridibundus
102. Gull-billed tern	KB: 1 ex	Sterna nilotica
103. Caspian tern	KB : a few	Sterna caspia
104. River tern	KB : A	Sterna aurantia
105. Little tern	KB: 6 ex	Sterna albifrons
106. Rock dove	a few	Columba livia
107. Hill pigeon	JO:B-C	Columba rupestris
108. Snow pigeon	JO: A just one flock very low (near Tatopani)	Columba leuconota
109. Speckled wood-pigeon	PHU: 8 ex	Columba hodgsonii
110. Oriental turtle-dove	KV, JO : a few	Streptopelia orientalis
111. Spotted dove	A in Terrai	Streptopelia chinensis
112. Eurasian collared-do	2 near KB	Streptopelia decaocto
113. Rose-ringed parakeet	Terrai :B	Psittacula krameri
114. Slaty-headed parakeet	JO: only 2 or flocks	Psittacula himalayana
115. Blossom-headed parakeet	Terrai: 8 ex	Psittacula roseata
116. Large hawk-cuckoo	PHU: 1 heard	Cuculus sparverioides

117. Asian koel	KB: 1 ex	<i>Eudynamys scolopacea</i>
118. Lesser coucal	KT: 4ex; KB: 1 ex	<i>Centropus bengalensis</i>
119. Mountain scops owl	Ghasa : 1 heard early	<i>Otus spilocephalus</i>
120. Collared owlet	PHU and JO: superb bird! Very good observation of birds calling, sitting on a branch	<i>Glaucidium brodiei</i>
121. Asian barred owlet	PO: 1 ex	<i>Glaucidium cuculoides</i>
122. Spotted owlet	near Pink Tower at KB: 2 ex	<i>Athene brama</i>
123. Crested treeswift	between Chitwan and KB: 2 ex in woods along the main road	<i>Hemiprocne coronata</i>
124. Himalayan swiftlet	just one observation on Poon Hill with other swifts	<i>Collocalia brevirostris</i>
125. Alpine swift	Birethanti and KB : A	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>
126. Pacific swift	a few JO	<i>Apus pacificus</i>
127. House swift	KV, PO : a few	<i>Apus nipalensis</i>
128. Common kingfisher	JO, KT : 7 ex	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>
129. Stork-billed kingfisher	KT : 2 ex	<i>Pelargopsis capensis</i>
130. White-throated kingfisher	KV, PO, Terrai : A	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>
131. Pied kingfisher	PO, KB: A	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>
132. Crested kingfisher	before Birethanti: 1 ex	<i>Megaceryle lugubris</i>
133. Blue-bearded bee-eater	PHU: 2 ex 5 march	<i>Nyctyornis athertoni</i>
134. Green bee-eater	Terrai: A	<i>Merops orientalis</i>
135. Chestnut-headed bee-eater	PO: 2 ex	<i>Merops leschenaulti</i>
136. Indian roller	common along the road between Hetauda- KB	<i>Coracias benghalensis</i>
137. Eurasian hoopoe	a few: KV, KT	<i>Upupa epops</i>
138. Great barbet	PHU, JO: a lot heard, a few seen	<i>Megalaima virens</i>
139. Coppersmith barbet	KT: 2 ex; KB: 1 ex	<i>Megalaima haemacephala</i>
140. Grey-capped pecker	before and near Birethanti: 2 ex , 1 excavating nest hole in a dead tree	<i>Dendrocopos canicapillus</i>
141. Brown-fronted pecker	1 female : PHU	<i>Dendrocopos auriceps</i>
142. Fulvous-breasted pecker	1 ex near Chitre	<i>Dendrocopos macei</i>
143. Rufous-bellied pecker	PHU ,JO : 3 ex	<i>Dendrocopos hyperythrus</i>
144. Crimson-breasted pecker	PHU, JO : 2 ex	<i>Dendrocopos cathpharius</i>
145. Rufous woodpecker	PO: 1 on the wood's ridge	<i>Celeus brachyurus</i>
146. Greater yellownape	PO: 1 ex above Fishtail lodge	<i>Picus flavinucha</i>

147.Scally-bellied pecker	JO: Ghorepani and Ghasa ; PO:	<i>Picus squamatus</i>
148.Grey-headed pecker	PO: 3 ex	<i>Picus canus</i>
149.Yellow-bellied fantail	PHU, JO : 10 ex	<i>Rhipidura hypoxantha</i>
150.White-throated fantail	PHU, KB : 5 ex	<i>Rhipidura albicollis</i>
151.Black drongo	Common, but no observations during the trek	<i>Dicrurus macrocercus</i>
152.White-billed drongo	1 seen in Terrai	<i>Dicrurus caerulescens</i>
153.Lesser racket-tailed drongo	PHU: 4 ex	<i>Dicrurus remifer</i>
154.Hair-crested drongo	PO, JO : A	<i>Dicrurus hottentotus</i>
155.Eurasian jay	PHU : 4 ex	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>
156.Gold-billed magpie	JO: Ghasa and Ghorepani: 1 ex	<i>Urocissa flavirostris</i>
157.Blue magpie	PO: 1 ex	<i>Urocissa erythrorhyncha</i>
158.Green magpie	PO: 1 ex	<i>Cissa chinensis</i>
159.Rufous treepie	KT: 7 ex	<i>Dendrocitta vagabunda</i>
160.Grey treepie	PHU, JO : A	<i>Dendrocitta formosae</i>
161.Eurasian nutcracker	only heard: JO	<i>Nucifraga caryocatacte</i>
162.Red-billed chough	C between Ghasa and Muktinath	<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>
163.Yellow-billed chough	near Muktinath: B	<i>Pyrrhocorax graculus</i>
164.House crow	common bird in towns any on the trek	<i>Corvus splendens</i>
165.Large-billed crow	common bird in lowlands a few on the trek	<i>Corvus macrorhynchos</i>
166.Common iora	1 ex in Terrai	<i>Aegithina tiphia</i>
167.Black-hooded oriole	2 ex in Terrai	<i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>
168.Black-winged cuckoo-shrike	PO: 1 ex	<i>Coracina melaschistos</i>
169.Black-faced cuckoo shrike	PHU: 1 ; JO: 2 ex and Terrai 5 ex	<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>
170.Small minivet	Terrai: 2 ex	<i>Pericrocotus cinnamomeus</i>
171.Long-tailed minivet	PHU; JO : A	<i>Pericrocotus ethologus</i>
172.Short-billed minivet	PHU; 1 ex	<i>Pericrocotus brevirostris</i>
173.Scarlet minivet	a few	<i>Pericrocotus flammeus</i>
174.Bar-winged fly-shrike	PHU : 1 ex	<i>Hemipus picatus</i>
175.Golden-fronted leafbird	PHU and Terrai : 1 ex each site	<i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i>
176.Orange-bellied leafbird	PHU: 7 ex	<i>Chloropsis hardwickii</i>

177.Brown shrike	KV: 1 and KB: 5 ex	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>
178.Long-tailed shrike	a few, of the black-headed form (different from indian's birds)	<i>Lanius schach</i>
179.Grey-backed shrike	only 2 ex: PHU and JO	<i>Lanius tephronotus</i>
180.Brown dipper	JO :A, feeding flying youngs the 18 and 19/03	<i>Cinclus pallasii</i>
181.Chestnut-bellied rock thrush	PHU, JO : 8 ex	<i>Monticola rufiventris</i>
182.Blue rock thrush	2 ex near Birethanti	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>
183.Blue whistling thrush	A everywhere during the trek + PHU, PO	<i>Myophonus caeruleus</i>
184.Plain-backed thrush	3 ex Jo :Ghorepani and on the way down to Birethanti into a field !	<i>Zoothera mollissima</i>
185.Scaly thrush	PO, Jo: Superb view of a bird at Ghasa	<i>Zoothera dauma</i>
186.Long-billed thrush	PHU : 1 ex close but shy near the ravine	<i>Zoothera monticola</i>
187.White-collared blackbird	PHU, JO : B	<i>Turdus albocinctus</i>
188.Chestnut thrush	1 ex at Ghorepani	<i>Turdus rubrocanus</i>
189.Dark-throated thrush	JO, PHU :A	<i>Turdus ruficollis</i>
190.Chestnut-tailed starling	Jo: 2 ex near Ghara and a flock in terrai	<i>Sturnus malabaricus</i>
191.Brahminy starling	2 ex KT	<i>Sturnus pagodarum</i>
192.Common starling	one KB (Pink tower)	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>
193.Asian pied starling	comon bird in Terrai : B	<i>Sturnus contra</i>
194.Common myna	common evrywhere except along the trek	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>
195.Bank myna	KB, KT : A-B	<i>Acridotheres ginginianus</i>
196.Jungle myna	KT: A	<i>Acridotheres fuscus</i>
197.Rufous-gorgeted flycatcher	PHU, JO : A	<i>Ficedula strophiata</i>
198.Ultramarine flycatcher	1 ex before Chitre	<i>Ficedula superciliaris</i>
199.Sapphire flycatcher	1 ex in the Botanical gardens PHU ( 6 march)	<i>Ficedula sapphira</i>
200.Verditer flycatcher	PHU, JO :A	<i>Eumyias thalassina</i>
201.Small niltava	PHU, JO : 3 ex of this beautiful bird	<i>Niltava macgrigoriae</i>
202.Rufous-bellied niltava	PHU : 2 ex on the upper slopes	<i>Niltava sundara</i>
203.Grey-headed canary flycatch	PHU and JO :A	<i>Culicicapa ceylonensis</i>
204.Bluethroat	KB, KT : 3 ex	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>
205.Orange-flanked bush-robin	PHU, JO (Ghasa ): a few	<i>Tarsiger cyanurus</i>
206.White-browed bush-robin	a female at Ghasa	<i>Tarsiger indicus</i>
207.Oriental magpie-robin	a few in KTH, KB	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>
208.Black redstart	KB: 4 ex on Tamarisk island	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>
209.White-throated redstart	JO : A	<i>Phoenicurus schisticeps</i>

210.Hodgson's redstart	PHU (Botanical gardens) : 3 ex ; JO : 1 ex.Like Redstart of the samamisicus ssp	<i>Phoenicurus hodgsoni</i>
211.White-winged «	JO: 6 ex	<i>Phoenicurus erythrogaster</i>
212.Blue-fronted redstart	JO: A	<i>Phoenicurus frontalis</i>
213.White-capped redstart	PHU, JO : A	<i>Chaimarrornis leucocephalus</i>
214.Plumbeous redstart	PHU, JO :A	<i>Rhyacornis fuliginosus</i>
215.Grandala	One flock of 16 birds above Muktinath	<i>Grandala coelicolor</i>
216.Little forktail	JO: 6 ex	<i>Enicurus scouleri</i>
217.Slaty-backed forktail	JO: 2 ex	<i>Enicurus schistaceus</i>
218.Spotted forktail	1 ex on PHU; 4 ex JO	<i>Enicurus maculatus</i>
219.White-throated buschat	1 first summer male on Tamarisk Island probably seen very briefly. We can't relocate this bird again	<i>Saxicola insignis</i>
220.Siberian stonechat	KV, Terrai, JO : A	<i>Saxicola maura</i>
221.White-tailed stonechat	KB: 3 ex on Tamarisk island	<i>Saxicola leucura</i>
222.Pied buschat	a few	<i>Saxicola caprata</i>
223.Grey buschat	PHU, Jo : B	<i>Saxicola ferrea</i>
224.Kashmir nuthatch	7 ex seen Ghasa : any white on the tail	<i>Sitta cashmirensis</i>
225.White-tailed nuthatch	PHU, JO :A	<i>Sitta himalayensis</i>
226.Wallcreeper	JO: 2 ex	<i>Tichodroma muraria</i>
227.Bar-tailed treecreeper	JO : 2 ex before Tuchke	<i>Certhia himalayana</i>
228.Rusty-flanked «	JO: 2 ex (Ghasa and Ghorepani)	<i>Certhia nipalensis</i>
229.Winter wren	JO : 6 ex	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>
230.Black-throated tit	PHU, JO : A-B	<i>Aegithalos concinnus</i>
231.White-throated tit	Ghorepani : 3 ex into the forest	<i>Aegithalos niveogularis</i>
232.Sand martin	B: along the river between Po and KTH	<i>Riparia riparia</i>
233.Plain martin	KB: A	<i>Riparia paludicola</i>
234.Eurasian crag martin	JO :A	<i>Hirundo rupestris</i>
235.Barn swallow	KV, PO, Terrai :A-B	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
236.Red-rumped swallow	A	<i>Hirundo daurica</i>
237.Nepal martin	JO:A	<i>Delichon nipalensis</i>
238.Goldcrest	JO (Ghorepani) : 2ex	<i>Regulus regulus</i>
239.Red-whiskered bulbu	A	<i>Pycnonotus jocosus</i>
240.Himalayan bulbul	ssp of white-cheeked bulbul /PHU, JO :B-C	<i>Pycnonotus leucogenys</i>

241. Red-vented bulbul	C	Pycnonotus cafer
242. Mountain bulbul	PHU : A	Hypsipetes mcclellandii
243. Black bulbul	PHU, JO : B	Hypsipetes leucocephalus
244. Oriental white-eye	PHU, JO : A	Zosterops palpebrosus
245. Zitting cisticola	KB: 4 ex	Cisticola juncidis
246. Striated prinia	PHU: ° and JO : many °, a few seen	Prinia criniger
247. Graceful prinia	KB: A	Prinia gracilis
248. Yellow-bellied prinia	KB, KT : 3 ex	Prinia flaviventris
249. Chestnut-crowned bush warb	KT: 1 ex	Cettia major
250. Yellowish-bellied bush warbl	JO ( Ghorepani ) : 1 ex °, maybee one seen on Poon Hill. Strange and beautiful song	Cettia robustipes
251. Grey-sided bush wabler	JO ( Ghorepani: Poon hill): 1 ex	Cettia brunifrons
252. Spotted bush warbler	KB: 1 ex	Bradypterus thoracicus
253. Paddyfield warbler	KB: 2 ex. We saw some unidentified birds into the sticks near the water: paddyfield,blyth, booted?	Acrocephalus agricola
254. Blyth's reed warbler	KB: 2 ex	Acrocephalus dumetorum
255. Clamourous reed warbler	KT: 4 ex	Acrocephalus stentoreus
256. Common tailorbird	JO (Birethanti) : 1 ex / KB : 3 ex	Orthotomus sutorius
257. White-browed tit-warbler	JO : 5 ex with very close view of this magnificent bird	Leptopoecile sophiae
258. Eurasian chiffchaff	JO, KB, KT: some birds of tristis ssp but 2 or 3 were with some green in the tertials (sindianus?)	Phylloscopus collybita
259. Dusky warbler	PO, KB, KT	Phylloscopus fuscatus
260. Smoky warbler	PO: 1 ex near the lake	Phylloscopus fuliginosus
261. Tickell's leaf warbler	PHU, KB and KT : 9 ex	Phylloscopus affinis
262. Buff-barred warbler	PHU : A and a few along the trek	Phylloscopus pulcher
263. Ashy-throated warble	PHU and JO : 9 ex	Phylloscopus maculipennis
264. Lemon-rumped warbler	PHU (Botanical gardens ): 1 ex	Phylloscopus proregulus
265. Inornate warbler	Just one maybee 2 !	Phylloscopus inornatus
266. Greenish warbler	A few sure: JO, PHU	Phylloscopus trochiloides
267. Blyth's leaf warbler	quite common on PHU and during the trek	Phylloscopus reguloides
268. Yellow-vented warbler	PHU ( botanical gardens): 1 ex into a flock of warblers: lemon-rumped, grey-hooded: 5 march	Phylloscopus cantator

269.Golden-spectacled warbler	JO ( Ghorepani ): 2 ex on Poon Hill	Seicercus burkii
270.Grey-hooded warbler	Common bird: B	Seicercus xanthoschistus
271.Chestnut-crowned «	1 ex below Ghorepani and PHU	Seicercus castaniceps
272.Black-faced warbler	PHU and 1 JO	Abroscopus schisticeps
273.Striated grassbird	KT: 3 ex	Megalurus palustris
274.White-throated laughingthrush	PHU : A	Garrulax albogularis
275.White-crested laughingthrush	one flock : A JO	Garrulax leucolophus
276.Striated laughingthrush	PHU : 6 ex and JO : 1 ex	Garrulax striatus
277.Rufous-chinned laughingthru	PHU: 2 ex above the ravine to the summit	Garrulax rufogularis
278.Streaked laughingthrush	PHU, JO : A	Garrulax lineatus
279.Variegated «	JO ( Kalopani ) : 2 ex	Garrulax variegatus
280.Black-faced «	JO ( Ghorepani ): 2 ex	Garrulax affinis
281.Chestnut-crowned «	PHU, JO : A	Garrulax erythrocéphal
282.Red-faced liocichla	PHU : lower slopes near the quarry: 1 ex seen flying and another (heard?) Date: 24/03	Liocichla phoenicea
283.Streak-breasted scimitar babb	PHU: 2 seen + °; JO: °	pomatorhinus ruficollis
284.Black-chinned babbler	a few at PHU, 1 ex JO	Stachyris pyrrhops
285.Spiny babbler	PHU: 2 °	Turdoides nipalensis
286.Striated babbler	A	Turdoides earlei
287.Cutia	PHU : 7 ex the same day (4 march) at different places	Cutia nipalensis
288.White-browed shrike babbler	1 ex coming to drink into a smal pool into the forest at Ghasa.	Pteruthius flaviscapitis
289.Green Shrike babbler	JO (Ghasa) : 2 ex	Pteruthius xanthochlorus
290.Black-eared shrike babbler	PHU; 1 female	Pteruthius melanotis
291.Hoary-throated barwing	PHU and JO : 5 ex	Actinodura nipalensis
292.Chestnut-tailed minla	PHU and JO :A	Minla strigula
293.Rufous-winged fulveta	5 ex : PHU, JO	Alcippe castaneiceps
294.White-browed fulveta	PHU, JO: common more than 30	Alcippe vinipectus
295.Nepal fulveta	PHU: 4 ex	Alcippe nipalensis
296.Rufous sibia	very common on PHU, JO :A	Heterophasia capistrata
297.Whiskered yuhina	PHU: 2 ex	Yuhina flavicollis
298.Stripe-throated «	PHU: 2 ex / JO: 7 ex	Yuhina gularis
299.Rufous-vented «	A PHU , JO	Yuhina occipitalis

300.Great parrotbill	Ghasa and Ghorepani: 1 + 1 seen and some ♂. It's usefull to recognize the whistling call	<i>Conostoma oemodium</i>
301.Black-throated parrotbill	one flock of 40 very low on PHU	<i>Paradoxornis nipalensis</i>
302.Rufous-vented tit	JO : a few	<i>Parus rubidiventris</i>
303.Black-crested tit	1 seen before Tatopani	<i>Parus melanolophus</i>
304.Coal tit	JO: A	<i>Parus ater</i>
305.Grey-crested tit	JO: 10 ex	<i>Parus dichrous</i>
306.Great tit	PHU: 1 ex and Terrai: 2 ex	<i>Parus major</i>
307.Green-backed tit	Common bird: PHU,JO: B	<i>Parus monticolus</i>
308.Yellow-cheeked tit	PHU, JO: A	<i>Parus spilonotus</i>
309.Yellow-browed tit	PHU, JO: 2 ex	<i>Sylviparus modestus</i>
310.Rufous-winged bushlark	KB: A	<i>Mirafra assamica</i>
311.Ashy-crowned sparrow-lark	Terrai: A	<i>Eremopterix grisea</i>
312.Sand lark	KB: A	<i>Calandrella raytal</i>
313.House sparrow	Very common except on JO	<i>Passer domesticus</i>
314.Russet sparrow	JO:A	<i>Passer rutilans</i>
315.Eurasian tree-sparrow	common except into Terrai	<i>Passer montanus</i>
316.White-rumped munia	JO, after Birethanti: small flocks	<i>Lonchura striata</i>
317.Black-headed munia	JO, before Birethanti : 4 ex	<i>Lonchura malacca</i>
318.White wagtail	A	<i>Motacilla alba</i>
319.White-browed wagtail	KV, JO: a few	<i>Motacilla madaraspatens</i>
320.Yellow-hooded «	KT: 8-9 ex	<i>Motacilla citreola</i>
321.Grey wagtail	A	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>
322.Oriental pipit	KV, PO, KB: A	<i>Anthus rufulus</i>
323.Olive-backed pipit	PHU, JO: A	<i>Anthus hodgsoni</i>
324.Rosy pipit	JO: 1 ex; KB: 6 ex	<i>Anthus roseatus</i>
325.Upland pipit	JO : 1 seen , some ♂	<i>Anthus sylvanus</i>
326.Alpine accentor	JO: above Muktinath: 26 ex	<i>Prunella collaris</i>
327.Robin accentor	JO: only one	<i>Prunella rubeculoides</i>
328.Rufous-breasted accentor	1 female on Poon Hill	<i>Prunella strophiata</i>
329.Brown accentor	common between Muktinath and Jomossom	<i>Prunella fulvescens</i>
330.Fire-breasted flowerpecker	Phu, JO :A	<i>Dicaeum ignipectus</i>
331.Purple sunbird	PO: 3 ex	<i>Nectarinia asiatica</i>
332.Gould's sunbird	PHU: 3ex	<i>Aethopyga gouldiae</i>

333.Green-tailed «	PHU, JO : A	Aethopyga nipalensis
334.Black-throated «	PHU: 2 ex	Aethopyga saturata
335.Crimson sunbird	JO: 1 ex	Aethopyga siparaia
336.Fire-tailed sunbird	PHU, JO: 5 ex	Aethopyga ignicauda
337.Chaffinch	1 ex before Tatopani	Fringilla coelebs
338.Fire-fronted serin	JO: 5 ex + °	Serinus pusillus
339.Yellow-breasted greenfinch	JO: A	Carduelis spinoides
340.Spectacled finch	1 male and 2 female on the way down from Poon hill. They came very close when whistling as great parrotbill. Beautiful birds !	Callacanthis burtoni
341.Blandford's rosefinch	View of a male on a top of a tree through the telescope. Same place than spectacled finch!	Carpodacus rubescens
342.Dark-breasted rosefinch	1 below Poon Hill	Carpodacus nipalensis
343.Common rosefinch	9 ex JO ( Ghorepani)	Carpodacus erythrinus
344.Beautiful rosefinch	JO: A	Carpodacus pulcherrim
345.Pink-browed rosefinch	JO: 3 ex (2 males) near Poon Hill	Carpodacus rodochrous
346.Vinaceous rosefinch	1 male near Ghorepani	Carpodacus vinaceus
347.Spot-winged rosefinch	2 ex near Poon Hill	Carpodacus rodopeplus
348.Streaked rosefinch	JO : A (fields Jomossom, Kagbeni,...)	Carpodacus rubicilloide
349.Red crossbill	JO: 5 ex at Ghorepani	Loxia curvirostra
350.Red-headed bullfinch	JO: A (Ghorepani area)	Pyrrhula erythrocephala
351.White-winged grosbeak	5 ex near Muktinath 's monastery	Mycerobas carnipes
352.Gold-naped finch	PHU: 3 ex	Pyrrhoplectes epaulette
353.Crested bunting	JO: 7 ex	Melophus lathami
354.Pine bunting	JO: A-B (Jomossom - Muktinath)	Emberiza leucocephalos
355.Rock bunting	Mostly between Muktinath and Ghasa: A	Emberiza cia
356.Yellow-breasted bunting	KB, KT: 2 ex	Emberiza aureola
357.Black-faced bunting	KB, KT: 3 ex	Emberiza spodocephala

## Taxonomic notes

64. perigrine falcon	<i>falco peregrinus peregrinator</i>
178. Long-tailed shrike	<i>Lanius schach</i>
208. black redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros rufiventris</i>
258. Eurasian chifchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita tristis</i> and ? <i>sindanus</i>