

Groenvlei Bird Species Checklist

The Groenvlei Bird Species Checklist accounts for an astounding **200 bird species** that have been recorded in the area on and around Groenvlei. The list was compiled using data from SABAP2 and iNaturalist. Below there is a description of the abundance status as indicated for each species. Please take note that more common species have been **printed in bold**.

Abundance Status:

- **Abundant:** a bird species with a high population density, often very conspicuous, and sometimes encountered in large flocks.
- **Very Common:** a bird species that is easily found and it should be readily encountered throughout its natural habitat(s).
- **Fairly Common:** a bird species that is fairly easy to find if you explore its habitat thoroughly, however, some of these bird species are only common at a very specific locality within the area.
- **Uncommon:** a bird species that is not often encountered, possibly due to a lower population density, or due to the fact that it is simple very hard to find because of its elusive behaviour.
- **Rare:** birds for which there are only a few records for the area, or birds that have a extremely localised population and are elusive in their behaviour, making them very hard to find.

x	Common Name:	Status:	x	Common Name:	Status:
	Apalis, Bar-throated	Very Common		Crow, Pied	Uncommon
	Batis, Cape	Fairly Common		Cuckoo, African Emerald	Uncommon
	Bee-eater, Blue-cheeked	Uncommon		Cuckoo, Black	Uncommon
	Bee-eater, European	Uncommon		Cuckoo, Diederik	Uncommon
	Bishop, Southern Red	Rare		Cuckoo, Klaas's	Uncommon
	Bishop, Yellow	Uncommon		Cuckoo, Red-chested	Uncommon
	Bittern, Little	Uncommon		Cuckooshrike, Black	Uncommon
	Bokmakierie	Uncommon		Cuckooshrike, Grey	Uncommon
	Boubou, Southern	Very Common		Darter, African	Fairly Common
	Brownbul, Terrestrial	Fairly Common		Dove, Laughing	Uncommon
	Bulbul, Cape	Abundant		Dove, Lemon	Uncommon
	Bunting, Cinnamon-breasted	Rare		Dove, Namaqua	Rare
	Bushshrike, Olive	Fairly Common		Dove, Red-eyed	Fairly Common
	Buzzard, Common	Uncommon		Dove, Ring-necked	Very Common
	Buzzard, Forest	Fairly Common		Dove, Rock	Rare
	Buzzard, Jackal	Fairly Common		Dove, Tambourine	Uncommon
	Camaropectera, Green-backed	Fairly Common		Drongo, Fork-tailed	Abundant
	Canary, Brimstone	Fairly Common		Duck, African Black	Rare
	Canary, Cape	Uncommon		Duck, White-backed	Uncommon
	Canary, Forest	Uncommon		Duck, Yellow-billed	Fairly Common
	Canary, Protea	Rare		Eagle, African Fish	Fairly Common
	Canary, White-throated	Uncommon		Eagle, Booted	Rare
	Canary, Yellow	Rare		Egret, Intermediate	Rare
	Cisticola, Cloud	Rare		Egret, Little	Uncommon
	Cisticola, Grey-backed	Rare		Egret, Western Cattle	Uncommon
	Cisticola, Levallant's	Uncommon		Falcon, Amur	Rare
	Cisticola, Zitting	Rare		Falcon, Peregrine	Rare
	Coot, Red-knobbed	Very Common		Fiscal, Southern	Fairly Common
	Cormorant, Cape	Uncommon		Flycatcher, African Dusky	Fairly Common
	Cormorant, Reed	Very Common		Flycatcher, African Paradise	Fairly Common
	Cormorant, White-breasted	Very Common		Flycatcher, Blue-mantled Crested	Uncommon
	Coucal, Burchell's	Uncommon		Flycatcher, Fiscal	Very Common
	Crake, Black	Fairly Common		Gannet, Cape	Uncommon
	Crow, Cape	Uncommon		Goose, Egyptian	Fairly Common

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	Goose, Spur-winged	Uncommon		Pochard, Southern	Rare
	Goshawk, African	Uncommon		Prinia, Karoo	Fairly Common
	Grassbird, Cape	Uncommon		Puffback, Black-backed	Fairly Common
	Grebe, Great Crested	Uncommon		Quail, Common	Rare
	Grebe, Little	Fairly Common		Rail, African	Uncommon
	Greenbul, Sombre	Abandant		Raven, White-necked	Fairly Common
	Greenshank, Common	Rare		Robin, White-starred	Uncommon
	Guineafowl, Helmeted	Fairly Common		Robin-Chat, Cape	Very Common
	Gull, Grey-headed	Rare		Robin-Chat, Chorister	Fairly Common
	Gull, Kelp	Very Common		Sanderling	Uncommon
	Hamerkop	Rare		Sandpiper, Terek	Rare
	Harrier, African Marsh	Fairly Common		Saw-wing, Black	Uncommon
	Heron, Black-headed	Uncommon		Seedeater, Streaky-headed	Fairly Common
	Heron, Grey	Uncommon		Shelduck, South African	Rare
	Heron, Purple	Fairly Common		Siskin, Cape	Rare
	Honeyguide, Lesser	Uncommon		Sparrow, Cape	Uncommon
	Honeyguide, Scaly-throated	Uncommon		Sparrow, House	Uncommon
	Hoopoe, African	Fairly Common		Sparrow, Southern Grey-headed	Uncommon
	Hoopoe, Green Wood	Rare		Sparrowhawk, Black	Rare
	Ibis, African Sacred	Uncommon		Spoonbill, African	Uncommon
	Ibis, Glossy	Uncommon		Spurfowl, Cape	Uncommon
	Ibis, Hadada	Very Common		Spurfowl, Red-necked	Uncommon
	Kestrel, Rock	Uncommon		Starling, Black-bellied	Fairly Common
	Kingfisher, Brown-hooded	Fairly Common		Starling, Common	Fairly Common
	Kingfisher, Giant	Uncommon		Starling, Pied	Rare
	Kingfisher, Half-collared	Uncommon		Starling, Red-winged	Uncommon
	Kingfisher, Malachite	Fairly Common		Stilt, Black-winged	Rare
	Kingfisher, Pied	Fairly Common		Stonechat, African	Uncommon
	Kite, Black-winged	Uncommon		Stork, White	Rare
	Kite, Yellow-billed	Rare		Sugarbird, Cape	Rare
	Lapwing, Blacksmith	Uncommon		Sunbird, Amethyst	Fairly Common
	Lapwing, Black-winged	Rare		Sunbird, Collared	Uncommon
	Longclaw, Cape	Rare		Sunbird, Greater Double-collared	Very Common
	Martin, Brown-throated	Uncommon		Sunbird, Grey	Uncommon
	Martin, Common House	Rare		Sunbird, Malachite	Uncommon
	Martin, Rock	Uncommon		Sunbird, Orange-breasted	Rare
	Moorhen, Common	Fairly Common		Sunbird, Southern Double-collared	Fairly Common
	Moorhen, Lesser	Rare		Swallow, Barn	Fairly Common
	Mousebird, Red-faced	Uncommon		Swallow, Greater Striped	Fairly Common
	Mousebird, Speckled	Very Common		Swallow, Lesser Striped	Rare
	Mousebird, White-backed	Rare		Swallow, White-throated	Fairly Common
	Neddicky	Fairly Common		Swamphen, African	Uncommon
	Nightjar, Fiery-necked	Uncommon		Swift, African Black	Uncommon
	Openbill, African	Rare		Swift, African Palm	Uncommon
	Oriole, Black-headed	Fairly Common		Swift, Alpine	Uncommon
	Osprey, Western	Uncommon		Swift, Horus	Rare
	Owl, Cape Eagle	Rare		Swift, Little	Uncommon
	Owl, Western Barn	Rare		Swift, White-rumped	Fairly Common
	Oystercatcher, African	Fairly Common		Tchagra, Southern	Uncommon
	Pigeon, African Olive	Fairly Common		Teal, Blue-billed	Uncommon
	Pigeon, Speckled	Fairly Common		Teal, Red-billed	Rare
	Plover, Grey	Rare		Tern, Caspian	Uncommon
	Plover, Three-banded	Uncommon		Tern, Common	Uncommon
	Plover, White-fronted	Fairly Common		Tern, Greater Crested	Uncommon

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	Tern, Sandwich	Rare		Warbler, Little Rush	Fairly Common
	Thick-knee, Spotted	Uncommon		Warbler, Victorin's	Uncommon
	Thick-knee, Water	Uncommon		Warbler, Willow	Rare
	Thrush, Cape Rock	Rare		Warbler, Yellow-throated Woodland	Uncommon
	Thrush, Olive	Fairly Common		Waxbill, Common	Uncommon
	Trogon, Narina	Rare		Waxbill, Swee	Uncommon
	Turaco, Knysna	Fairly Common		Weaver, Cape	Fairly Common
	Turnstone, Ruddy	Rare		White-eye, Cape	Very Common
	Wagtail, Cape	Abandant		Whydah, Pin-tailed	Uncommon
	Warbler, African Reed	Rare		Woodpecker, Cardinal	Rare
	Warbler, Knysna	Uncommon		Woodpecker, Knysna	Fairly Common
	Warbler, Lesser Swamp	Fairly Common		Woodpecker, Olive	Fairly Common

Notes:

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