NEW BIRDS IN THE PHILATELIC AVIARY

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Corrections

Barbara Herbert pointed out that the Indonesia 2012, 2500r stamp (Vol. 61(3), page 153) shows the subspecies Siau Scops Owl, *Otus manadensis siaoensis*, which is found only on Siau Island, north of Sulawesi.

The wrong picture was shown for the Malagasy Scops Owl (Vol. 60(3), page 101). This is the correct picture.



MALAGASY SCOPS OWL, Otus rutilus Strigidae

Mozambique, 2011, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 9 inches, sexes alike, resident. Gray-brown or rufous with pale facial discs darker around the eyes.

Habitat: Forest, humid bushes, and parks.

Range: Madagascar and Mayotte (Comoros).

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the

World, Volume 5.

New Birds

[Editor's Note: This listing combines entries that missed publication in the previous issue with the entries for the current issue. In accordance with Chuck's guidance, I have combined the two lists in taxonomic order using the updated family lineup. If the list is out of order, it is entirely my fault.]

In November 2012, Taiwan issued an NT\$70 souvenir sheet showing a painting by Ming Dynasty Painter Pien Wen-chin (Bian Wenjin), "Three Friends and a Hundred Birds." The painting shows 97 birds (100 is a suspicious number), six of which are new species (written up below).



AUCKLAND ISLAND MERGANSER, *Mergus australis* Anatidae Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 175m (bottom margin)

Length: 23 inches, resident. The male (on the left) is dark grayish-brown with a dark red-brown head and white wing patches: the female (on the right) is paler.

Habitat: Fiord-like coastal inlets.

Range: Formerly New Zealand. Extinct in 1905.

Reference: Falla, R.A., R.B. Sibson and E.G. Turbott. A Field Guide

to Birds of New Zealand.



NICOBAR MEGAPODE, Megapodius nicobariensis Megapodiidae

India, 2012, not yet cataloged, 5r

Length: 17 inches, sexes alike, resident. Brown above and grayish-brown below

with a short brown crest.

Habitat: Dense forest undergrowth.

Range: Nicobar Islands, India.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of

the World, Volume 2.



HIMALAYAN QUAIL, Ophrysia superciliosa Phasianidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 10 inches, resident. The male is black-streaked gray with brown wings and a patterned face; the female is black-streaked brown with a pinkish face.

Habitat: Long grass and brushwood on hillsides.

Range: Formerly western Himalayas. It became extinct in 1876.

Reference: Ali, S. and S.D. Ripley. Handbook of the Birds of India and Pakistan,

Volume 2.



NEWELL'S SHEARWATER, Puffinus auricularis newelli Procellariidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m (upper bird)

Length: 13 inches, sexes alike, disperses. Black above and white below, including the

undertail.

Habitat: Marine. Breeds in areas covered with ferns.

Range: Breeds on Kauai, Hawaii.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the

World, Volume 1.



PALLAS'S CORMORANT, Phalacrocorax perspicillatus Phalacrocoracidae

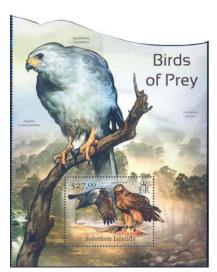
Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 30 inches, sexes similar, resident. Black with red front, chin, and spectacles.

Habitat: Coasts.

Range: Formerly on islands in the Bering Sea. It became extinct in 1852.

Reference: Day, D. Vanished Species.



VARIABLE GOSHAWK, Accipiter hiogaster Accipitridae

Solomon Islands, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$27 (top margin). The stamp incorrectly shows *Accipiter novaehollandiae*, a subspecies found in Australia and Tasmania.

Length: 17 to 22 inches, sexes alike, resident. Gray above and white to rufous below.

Habitat: Forest and adjacent areas.

Range: Lesser Sundas to the Solomons, and Tasmania.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the

Birds of the World, Volume 2.



INDIAN VULTURE, Gyps indicus Accipitridae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 38 inches, sexes alike, resident. Brown, paler below with a white ruff at the base of the neck.

Habitat: Countryside and the outskirts of villages. Range: Pakistan and India south of the Ganges.

Reference: Ali, S. and S.D. Ripley. Handbook of the Birds of India and Pakistan,

Volume 1.



RED RAIL, Aphanapteryx bonasia Rallidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 175m (LR margin)

Length: 30 inches, sexes alike, resident. Reddish with dark legs and a

long curved bill. Habitat: Wetlands.

Range: Formerly Mauritius. Extinct about 1700.

References: Ripley, S.D. Rails of the World and Day, D. Vanished

Species.



CHATHAM ISLANDS RAIL, Gallirallus modestus Rallidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 175m (UR margin)

Length: 15 inches, sexes alike, resident, Brown with red legs and

bill. Habitat: Scrub and tussock grass.

Range: Formerly Chatham Islands. Extinct in 1900.

References: Marchant, S. and P.J. Higgins. *Handbook of Australia, New Zealand and Antarctic Birds* and Day, D., *Vanished Species*.



WAKE ISLAND RAIL, Gallirallus wakensis Rallidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 92m

Length: 11 inches, sexes alike, resident. Ashy brown with a gray supercilium, neck, and breast and barred belly.

Habitat: Shrubbery.

Range: Formerly Wake Island. It was hunted to extinction in 1944 by the Japanese that

were garrisoned there.

Reference: Ripley, S. D. Rails of the World.



NORTH ISLAND TAKAHE, Porphyrio mantelli mantelli Rallidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 66m

Length: 26 inches, sexes similar, resident. Indigo blue, suffused with green with peacock blue shoulders, scarlet frontal shield and white undertail.

Habitat: Tussock grass and beech forests.

Range: Formerly North Island, New Zealand. Extinct around 1894. Stamps from New Zealand, Nicaragua, and Tanzania show **TAKAHE**, *Porphyrio mantelli hochstetteri*, the surviving subspecies.

References: Ripley, S.D. *Rails of the World* and Falla, R.A., R.B. Sibson, and E.G. Turbott. *A Field Guide to Birds of New Zealand*.



REUNION GALLINULE, Porphyrio coerulescens Rallidae

Mozambique, 2102, not yet cataloged, 66m

Length: 19 inches, sexes alike, resident. Bright blue with red feet and bill.

Habitat: High plateaus.

Range: Formerly Reunion. Extinct about 1800. Reference: Ripley, S.D. *Rails of the World*.



LAYSAN RAIL, Porzana palmeri Rallidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 6 inches, sexes alike, resident. Black-streaked sandy above and gray below with

a gray face.

Habitat: Grass and reeds.

Range: Formerly Laysan Island. Extinct in 1944. Reference: Ripley, S.D. *Rails of the World*.



HAWAIIAN RAIL, Porzana sandwichensis Rallidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 6 inches, sexes alike, resident. Smoky rufous brown above and reddish brown

below with a brownish gray throat. Habitat: Open grassy country.

Range: Formerly Hawaii. Extinct in 1884.

Reference: Ripley, S.D. Rails of the World.



WHITE-WINGED SANDPIPER, Prosobonia leucoptera Scolopacidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 66m

Length: 6 inches, sexes alike, resident. Brown above, russet below with a white spot behind the eye and a white band in the wings.

Habitat: Near small streams.

Range: Formerly Tahiti and Moorea. Became extinct in the 19th century.

Reference: Hayman, P., J. Marchant, and T. Prater. Shorebirds.



BLACK-BILLED GULL, Chroicocephalus bulleri Laridae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m (lower bird)

Length: 14 to 15 Inches, sexes alike, migratory. Gray above and white head and below with a slender black bill.

Habitat: Coasts, rivers, lakes, parks, and ploughed fields. Breeds on rocky islands. Range: Breeds on eastern South Island, New Zealand; winters in coastal New Zealand. Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the

World, Volume 3.



PERUVIAN TERN, Sternula lorata Laridae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m (lower bird)

Length: 9 inches, sexes alike, resident. Pale gray, lighter below with a black-tipped

yellow bill and black cap and lores.

Habitat: Coasts.

Range: Central Ecuador to Chile.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the

World, Volume 3.



WHITE-FRONTED QUAIL-DOVE, *Geotrygon leucometopia* Columbidae Dominican Republic, 2012, not yet cataloged, 20p

Length: 11 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is purplish above and gray below with a white forehead, gray head and buffy-cinnamon flanks; the female has a dark forehead.

Habitat: Evergreen forest. Range: Dominican Republic.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds

of the World, Volume 4.



CHOISEUL PIGEON, Microgoura meeki Columbidae,

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 12 inches, sexes alike, resident. Blue-gray head, back, and breast, bright rufous-

cinnamon abdomen and brown wings.

Habitat: Cloud forest.

Range: Choiseul Island, Solomons. Reference: Day, D. *Vanished Species*.



RED-MOUSTACHED FRUIT-DOVE, Ptilinopus mercerii Columbidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 9 inches, sexes similar, resident.

Habitat: Forest canopy.

Range: Formerly Nukuhiva and Hivana, Marquesas Islands. Extinct in the early 20th

century.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the

World, Volume 4.



SNAIL-EATING COUA, Coua delandei Cuculidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 175m (UL margin)

Length: 23 inches, sexes alike, resident. Blue above and white below with a rufous-red belly.

Habitat: Primary rainforest.

Range: Formerly Nosy Boraha, off the coast of Madagascar. Extinct in

1834.

References: Milon, P., J. Petter, and G. Randrianasolo., Faune de

Madagascar, XXXV and Day, D. Vanished Species.



GUADELOUPE AMAZON, Amazona violacea Psittacidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 12 inches, sexes alike, resident. Green mixed with violet on the head, neck and

belly, with red-rimmed beak and eyes.

Habitat: Mountains.

Range: Formerly Guadeloupe. Extinct around 1750.

Reference: Day, D. Vanished Species.



JAMAICAN GREEN-AND YELLOW MACAW, Ara erythrocephala

Psittacidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 175m

Length: 20 inches, sexes alike, resident. Green with a red head, blue wings,

yellow rump and underwings, and a blue-tipped red tail.

Habitat: Mountains.

Range: Formerly Jamaica, Extinct about 1842.

Reference: Day, D. Vanished Species.



RAIATEA PARAKEET, Cyanoramphus ulietanus Psittacidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 66m (right-hand bird)

Length: 10 inches, sexes alike, resident. Brownish green above and yellow below with a

blackish brown head and red rump.

Habitat: Deep forest valleys.

Range: Formerly Raiatea Island, Society Islands. Extinct.

Reference: duPont, J.E. South Pacific Birds.



BLACK-FRONTED PARAKEET, Cyanoramphus zealandicus

Psittacidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 175m

Length: 9 inches, sexes alike, resident. Green, bluish below with a black

brow, scarlet stripe behind the eye and a blue-green tail.

Habitat: Unknown.

Range: Formerly Tahiti, Society Islands. Extinct about 1830.

Reference: duPont, J.E. South Pacific Birds.



MASCARENE PARROT, Mascarinus mascarinus Psittacidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 66m (left-hand bird)

Length: 14 inches, sexes alike, resident. Grayish brown, paler below with a lilac head,

black face, and broad brown tail.

Habitat: Unknown.

Range: Formerly Reunion Island. Extinct since 1834.

Reference: Day, D. Vanished Species.



PARADISE PARAKEET, Psephotus pulcherrimus Psittacidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 66m

Length: 10 to 11 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is earth brown above and turquoise blue below (and face) with a red forehead, shoulder patch and vent and a black crown and nape; the female is pale brown above and blue below, with a blackish-brown crown and nape and red shoulder patch.

Habitat: Open savannah woodland and scrubby grasslands.

Range: Formerly southeastern Queensland, Australia. Extinct since 1930.

Reference: Slater, P. A Field Guide to Australian Birds, Volume One.



SPOT-BELLIED EAGLE-OWL, Bubo nipalensis Strigidae

Guinea-Bissau, 2012, not yet cataloged, 500fr

Length: 20 to 25 inches, sexes alike, resident. Dark brown with a whitish facial disc, barred chest and back, and spotted buffy white belly.

Habitat: Dense forest, usually near water.

Range: Indian Himalayas to southwestern China, Vietnam, and Sri Lanka.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 5.



PERNAMBUCO PYGMY-OWL, *Glaucidium mooreorum* Strigidae Togo, 2011, Michel 41331/B834, 3000fr (bottom center margin)

Length: 6 inches, sexes alike, resident. Chestnut above and rufous-streaked white below with a speckled gray head and white collar.

Habitat: Canopy of secondary forest.

Range: Southern Pernambuco province, eastern Brazil.

Reference: da Silva, J.M.C., G. Coelho, and P. Gonzaga. *Ararajuba*, **10**

(2), 123-130, 2002.



RODRIGUES OWL, Mascarenotus murivorus Strigidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 175m (upper bird)

Length: 9 inches, sexes alike, resident(?). Known only from leg and beak

fragments. Habitat: Forest.

Range: Formerly Rodrigues. Extinct. Reference: Day, D. *Vanished Species*.



LAUGHING OWL, Sceloglaux albifacies Strigidae

Guinea-Bissau, 2012, not yet cataloged, 500fr

Length: 15 inches, sexes alike, resident. Yellowish-brown with brown stripes with a

face white behind and below the eyes and grayish toward the center.

Habitat: Dry areas of mountains.

Range: Formerly New Zealand. Extinct in 1914.

Reference: Falla, R.A., R.B. Sibson, and E. G. Turbott. A Field Guide to Birds of New Zealand.



HISPANIOLAN NIGHTJAR, *Caprimulgus cubanensis ekmani* Caprimulgidae Dominican Republic, 2012, not yet cataloged, 20p

Length: 10 to 12 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is speckled blackish above and buff-spotted brown below with broad white tail tips; the

female has buff tail tips. Habitat: Pine forest.

Range: Hispaniola.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of

the World, Volume 5.



BRACE'S EMERALD, Chlorostilbon bracei Trochilidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 66m

Length: 4.5 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is green above and below;

the female is brownish-gray below.

Habitat: Forest.

Range: New Providence, Bahamas.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 5.



STEELY-VENTED HUMMINGBIRD, Saucerottia saucerottei Trochilidae,

Nicaragua, 2012, not yet cataloged, 14cor Identification on the stamp (Bee Hummingbird) is incorrect.

Length: 3.5 to 4.5 inches, sexes similar, resident. Green with blue-black wings and upper tail.

Habitat: Semi-open areas.

Range: Nicaragua to western Venezuela.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of

the World, Volume 5.



BANDED WOODPECKER, Picus mineaceus Picidae

Malaysia, 2013, not yet cataloged, 60s

Length: 10 inches, sexes similar, resident. Reddish-brown above and brown-barred pale rufous below, with a blackish tail and yellow rump.

Habitat: Forests, gardens and mangroves.

Range: Peninsular Thailand to Borneo and Java.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World,

Volume 7.



LESSER YELLOWNAPE, Picus chlorolophus Picidae

Malaysia, 2013, not yet cataloged, 1r

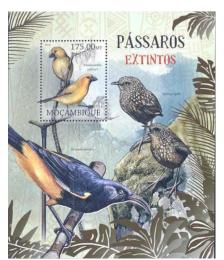
Length: 10 to 11 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is green with a green-barred whitish belly, yellow nape and red malar stripes and crown border; the female lacks the malar stripes.

Habitat: Forest, scrub and gardens.

Range: India to Sri Lanka, Vietnam, Hainan, and Sumatra.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the

World, Volume 7.



STEPHENS ISLAND WREN, Xenicus lyalli Acanthisittidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 175m (MR margin)

Length: 3.75 inches, sexes similar, resident. Speckled brown, paler below

with a dark eye stripe. Habitat: Woodland.

Range: Stephens Island, New Zealand' Reference: Day, D. *Vanished Species*.



HISPANIOLAN PEWEE, Contopus hispaniolensis Tyrannidae

Dominican Republic, 2012, not yet cataloged, 20p

Length: 6 inches, sexes like, resident. Grayish-olive above and gray and yellowish-buff

below with a gray throat.

Habitat: Woodland and forest edges.

Range: Hispaniola.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World,

Volume 9.



RUFOUS-VENTED PARADISE-FLYCATCHER, Terpsiphone rufocinerea

Monarchidae

Guinea, 2012, not yet cataloged, 5000fr

Length: 7 inches, sexes similar but the female has a shorter tail, resident. Blue-black with orange-rufous back, wings, vent, and tail.

Habitat: Forest.

Range: Southwestern Cameroon to northern Angola.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the

World, Volume 11.



HISPANIOLAN PALM CROW, *Corvus palmarum palmarum* Corvidae Dominican Republic, 2012, not yet cataloged, 20p

Length: 16 inches, sexes alike, resident. Black with a short, stout, sharp-

pointed bill and well developed nasal bristles.

Habitat: Forest and brush.

Range: Hispaniola.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds

of the World, Volume 14.



ORIENTAL SKYLARK, Alauda galbula Alaudidae

Taiwan, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$70 [Ed. note: Printed on silk]

Length: 6 to 7 inches, sexes alike, migratory. Black-streaked rufous-buff above and light rufous-buff below with a streaked breast.

Habitat: Open habitats with short vegetation.

Range: Breeds from southern Kazakhstan to Sri Lanka, Thailand, and the

Philippines; winters in the southern part if its range.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of

the World, Volume 9.



ARCTIC WARBLER, *Phylloscopus borealis* Phylloscopidae Taiwan, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$70 [*Ed. note: Printed on silk*]

Taiwan, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$70 [Ea. note: Frimea on sitk]

Length: 5 inches, sexes alike, migratory. Gray olive-green above and whitish below with a conspicuous yellowish supercilium and a single white wingbar. Habitat: Thickets and forest.

Range: Breeds in northern Eurasia; winters from Southeast Asia to the Lesser Sundas.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. *Handbook of the Birds of the World. Volume 11*.



CHATHAM FERNBIRD, Megalurus rufescens Sylviidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 8 inches, sexes alike, resident. Brown above and white below with a diffuse white supercilium.

Habitat: Shrubs and grass.

Range: Formerly Chatham Island, New Zealand. Extinct since 1900.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the

World, Volume 11.



ROBUST WHITE-EYE, Zosterops strenuus Zosteropidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 175m

Length: 3 inches, sexes alike, resident. Green above and white below with a yellow

throat.

Habitat: Palm glades and wooded hillsides.

Range: Formerly Lord Howe Island. Extinct in 1928.

Reference: Day, D. Vanished Species.



BUGUN LIOCICHLA, Liocichla bugunorum Timaliidae

India, 2012, not yet cataloged, 25r

Length: 9 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is Grayish-olive with a black crown, yellow wing patches, lores and post-ocular spot; the female lacks the wing patch.

Habitat: Shrubby hillsides and ravines.

Range: Western Arunchal Pradesh, northeastern India.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. *Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 12*.



SLATY-BLUE FLYCATCHER, Ficedula tricolor Muscicapidae

Taiwan, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$70 [Ed. note: Printed on silk]

Length: 5 inches, migratory. The male (shown on the stamp) is dark blue above and pale bluish-black below with a white throat.

Habitat: Subalpine shrubbery.

Range: Breeds from northern Pakistan to central China, northern Thailand, and northern Vietnam; winters from northern Pakistan to northern Thailand and northern Vietnam.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. *Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 11*.



SIBERIAN BLUE ROBIN, Larvivora cyane Muscicapidae

Taiwan, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$70 [Ed. note: Printed on silk]

Length: 5 inches, migratory. The male (shown on the stamp) is slaty-blue above and white below; the female is brown above and white below with pale brown flanks.

Habitat: Breeds in deep taiga; winters in forests.

Range: Breeds from southern Siberia to Japan; winters from southeastern China to the Greater Sundas.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. *Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 10*.



WHITE-THROATED ROCK-THRUSH, Monticola gularis Turdidae

Taiwan, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$70 [Ed. note: Printed on silk]

Length: 7 inches, migratory. The male (shown on the stamp) is grayish brown above and chestnut-orange below with a blue crown, white wing patches, and a chestnut-orange rump; the female is gray-brown above and scalloped white below.

Habitat: Forest,

Range; Breeds from southeastern Russia to North Korea; winters in southeastern China and Southeast Asia.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. *Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 10*.



KITTLITZ'S THRUSH, Zoothera terrestris Turdidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 92m

Length: 8 inches, sexes alike, resident. Brown above paler below with a streaked back

and breast.

Habitat: Forest floor.

Range: Formerly Peel Island (Chichijima), Bonins, Extinct around 1828.

Reference: Day, D. Vanished Species.



KOSRAE STARLING, Aplonis corvina Sturnidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 8 to 10 inches, sexes alike, resident. Glossy black with a curved bill.

Habitat: Mountains.

Range: Formerly Kusaie, Caroline Islands, Extinct around 1827.

Reference: Day, D. Vanished Species.



MYSTERIOUS STARLING, Aplonis mavornata Sturnidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 175m (lower bird)

Length: 8 inches, sexes alike, resident. All brown.

Habitat: Unknown.

Range: Formerly Raiatea Island (probably), Society Islands. Extinct in 1880.

Reference: duPont, J.E. South Pacific Birds.



REUNION STARLING, Fregilupus varius Sturnidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 11 inches, sexes alike, resident. Whitish with a black back and tail,

prominent crest and curved bill.

Habitat: Upland forests and swampy coastal fields.

Range: Formerly Reunion, Indian Ocean. Extinct around 1868.

Reference: Day, D. Vanished Species.



COPPER-TAILED GLOSSY- STARLING, *Lamprotornis cupreocauda* Sturnidae Guinea, 2012, not yet cataloged, 5000fr

Length: 7 inches, sexes alike, resident. Turquoise blue with a purple sheen on the head and

a glossy brown tail and rump. Habitat: Forest and forest edges. Range: Sierra Leone to Ghana.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the

World, Volume 14.



CHESTNUT-CHEEKED STARLING, Sturnus philippensis Sturnidae

Taiwan, 2012, not yet cataloged, \$70 [Ed. note: Printed on silk]

Length: 7 inches, migratory. The male (shown on the stamp) is violet above and gray below with a buffy head and brick-red cheeks and neck; the female is buffy-gray above and buffy-gray below and lacks the red patches.

Habitat: Breeds in woodlands; winters in open country.

Range: Breeds in Sakhalin and Japan; winters in the Ryukyus, Philippines, and northern Borneo.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. *Handbook of the Birds of the World*, *Volume 14*.



CITRINE WAGTAIL, Motacilla citreola Motacillidae

Bangladesh, 2013, not yet cataloged, 10t

Length: 7 to 8 inches, sexes similar but the female is duller, migratory. Yellow head and below with a gray to black back and tail and white outer tail and wing markings.

Habitat: Marshes and wet grasslands and thickets.

Range: Breeds in northern and central Eurasia; winters from southern

Afghanistan to Thailand and southeastern China.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds of the World, Volume 9.



KIOEA, Chaetoptila angustipluma Mohoidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 13 inches, sexes alike, resident, Dark with streaked underparts, black face, and

curved bill.

Habitat: Forested mountain plateaus.

Range: Formerly Hawai'i. Extinct around 1900.

Reference: Day, D. Vanished Species.



WESTERN CHAT-TANAGER, Calyptophilus tertius Thraupidae

Dominican Republic, 2012, not yet cataloged, 20p

Length: 8 inches, sexes alike, resident. Deep rufescent-brown above and white

below with grayish-brown sides.

Habitat: Broadleaf forests and dense thickets.

Range: Hispaniola.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the Birds

of the World, Volume 16.



SLENDER-BILLED GRACKLE, Quiscalus palustris Icteridae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 11 to 14 inches, resident. The male is all black; the female (shown on the stamp)

is cinnamon-buff with dark brown wings belly and tail.

Habitat: Freshwater marshes.

Range: Formerly the Rio Lerma in central Mexico. Extinct in 1910.

Reference: Jaramillo, A. and P. Burke. New World Blackbirds.



HISPANIOLAN CROSSBILL, Loxia megaplaga Fringillidae

Dominican Republic, 2012, not yet cataloged, 20p

Length: 6 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is red with black wings with two white wingbars; the female is green with black wings with two white wingbars.

Habitat: Montane pine forests.

Range: Central Hispaniola.

Reference: del Hoyo, J., A. Elliott, and J. Sargatal, Eds. Handbook of the

Birds of the World, Volume 15.



GREATER AMAKIHI, Hemignathus sagittirostris Fringillidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 7.5 inches, sexes alike, resident. Olive-green above and yellowish green below

with a yellow forehead.

Habitat: Brush to dense mountain forests.

Range: Formerly the Hawaiian Islands. Extinct in 1901.

Reference: Day, D. Vanished Species.



GREATER KOA FINCH, Rhodacanthis palmeri Fringillidae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 175m

Length: 8.5 inches, sexes alike, resident. Red-orange head, yellow-orange below, and a

yellow-green back. Habitat: Koa forests.

Range: Formerly the Hawaiian Islands. Extinct in 1896.

Reference: Day, D. Vanished Species.



'ULA-'AI-HAWANE, Ciridops anna Drepanididae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 92m

Length: 4.3 inches, sexes alike, resident. Red with silvery gray head, upper back, and

throat and black breast, wings, and tail.

Habitat: Palm trees.

Range: Formerly Hawai'i. Extinct 1937. Reference: Day, D. *Vanished Species*.



HAWAI'I MAMO, Drepanis pacifica Drepanididae

Mozambique, 2012 not yet cataloged, 175m (LL margin)

Length: 9 inches, sexes similar, resident. Black with an orange-yellow base

of the tail, shoulders, and thighs.

Habitat: Ohia forest.

Range: Formerly Hawai'i. Extinct 1898. Reference: Day, D. *Vanished Species*.



KONA GROSBEAK, Chloridops kona Drepanididae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 6 inches, sexes alike, resident. Green with a grayish beak.

Habitat: Naio forest.

Range: Formerly Hawai'i. Extinct 1963. Reference: Day, D. *Vanished Species*.



LESSER KOA FINCH, Rhodacanthis flaviceps Drepanididae

Mozambique, 2012, not yet cataloged, 16m

Length: 5 inches, resident. The male (shown on the stamp) is green above and yellow

below with a yellow head; the female is all greenish.

Habitat: Koa forest.

Range: Formerly Hawai'i. Extinct around 1891.

Reference: Day, D. Vanished Species.

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