

Bird-watching in Estonia 15 - 29 May 2012

With a brief visit to Latvia

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My wife and I visited Estonia and Latvia 15-29 May 2012 with the primary aim to watch birds. We flew in and out of Tallinn and toured the countries by rental car. It was no problem at all taking the car across the border between the two countries and, in general, formalities at the border amounted to zero.

Itinerary

15. Arrival Tallinn Airport, drive to Haapsalu (stayed in Vanalinna Hostel). Walk around Haapsalu. Evening at Pürksi.
16. Haapsalu, Spithami, Dirhami, Kiritse, Pürksi.
17. Haapsalu, Vönnu, Matsalu Bay. A rainy day. Visit to Matsalu Bay included Keemu, Penijõe, Kloosteri.
18. Drive from Haapsalu to Viljandi (stayed in Alice Guesthouse) via Tuhu Soo and the Häädemeeste area. Evening at Sooma. Strong winds during the daytime. Visit to Häädemeeste area included the 'Magic Corner' of Dave Gosney and the Pikla Ponds.
19. Viljandi, Sooma. Visit to Sooma included Riisa Bog Trail and Lemmjõgi River Spit Trail.
20. Viljandi, Sooma. Visit to Sooma was mostly to the Tõramaa area.
21. Drive from Viljandi across the Latvian border to Madona (stayed in Viesnica Janis).
22. Madona area including Nagli Ponds.
23. Madona area including Olgas Purvs. Windy.
24. Drive from Madona via Riga and across the Estonian border to Tartu (stayed in Pallas Hotell)
25. Tartu, Alam-Pedja. Visit to Alam-Pedja included Kirna Trail and Selli-Sillaotsa Trail.
26. Tartu, Ilmatsalu. Showers.
27. Drive from Tartu via Endla to Tallinn (stayed in Kreutzwald Hotel).
28. Tallinn, Lahemaa National Park. Visit to Lahemaa NP included Käsmu, Majakivi-Pikanõmme Trail, Tsitre.
29. Departure Tallinn Airport.

Pallas Hotell in Tartu is OK, but was chosen only because alternatives were fully booked. All of the other accommodations mentioned above can be recommended whole-heartedly.

Notes on sites

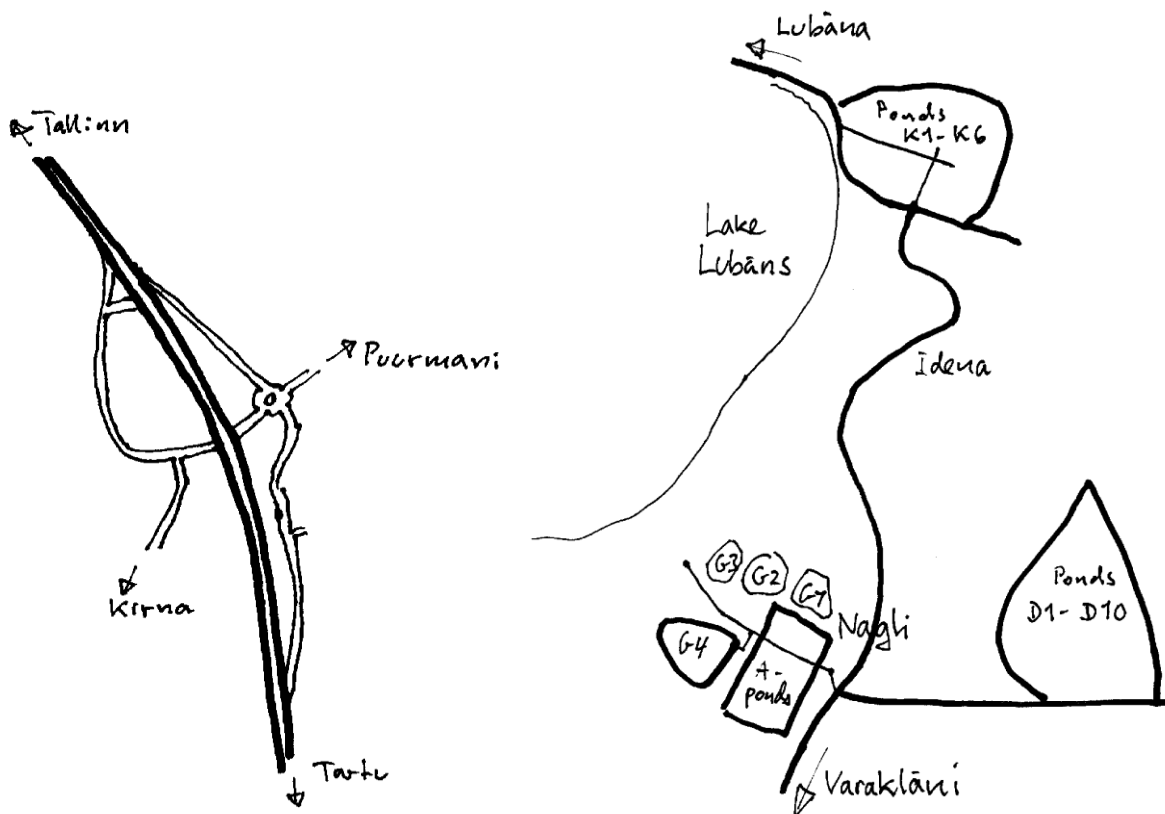
Most of the sites visited are covered by *Finding Birds in Estonia* / by Dave Gosney. 2011, *Birding in Eastern Europe* / by Gerard Gorman. 2006 and/or my own report *Bird-watching in Estonia 31st May – 6th June 2006* / by Morten Brendstrup-Hansen. The following notes are just supplementary to these sources.

Kiritse

The NW corner of Estonia is very thinly populated. A way to get into the forests and swamps of this area is from the road between Riguldi and Nõva. In Höbringi, ca. 3 km from Riguldi, turn SE and follow the gravel road for 5-6 km. At this point you will see a few inhabited houses ahead (the village of Metsaküla) and a dirt road branches off to the left (E) and leads to the deserted village of Kiritse. We parked at this junction and walked past Kiritse and followed the track across the swamp of Sendrisoo for another couple of km. Depending on your car and your stamina, you may drive a bit further and walk considerably longer.

Kirna Trail

Roads have been completely rebuilt at Puurmani, just N of Pedja Joki, and Kirna is now signposted from the interchange (see map below left). The road to Kirna is a good gravel road except for the first km which is tarmacked.



Madona

The Latvian town of Madona is conveniently located near the Teici Bog, the Krustkalni Reserve, the Olgas Purvs (forest) and the Nagli and Idena fishponds.

Teici and Krustkalni are closed to visitors during the breeding season, but it is possible to bird from the Marciena-Laudona road, which intersects Krustkalni, and from a driveable track west of Murmastiene going close to the border of Teici.

Olgas Purvs can be visited from a forest road that branches off the P82 south west of the town of Lubana. Coming from Madona, take the P84 east for ca. 20 km and turn left at the intersection of P84 and P82; after ca. 8 km the forest road branches off to the left; this, I believe, is ca. 1 km after a bus stop with a sign saying "Ezerkalns", but unfortunately my notes are not quite clear on this point. The forest road winds its way through a mosaic of fields, meadows and forest patches and eventually joins the P82 just outside of Lubana.

The fish ponds at Nagli and Idena (see map above right) are easily accessible by car and on foot. We found no reason to ask anybody for permission and nobody asked us any questions. The D-ponds and, especially, pond G4 were more interesting than the rest. (Different sources have different locations for the birding tower at the K-ponds; don't worry, the tower is slowly collapsing anyway and no longer safe to enter.)

Pikla Ponds

The wooden bus shelter at the E67 (Gosney) is no longer there, but the track between km 156 and 157 is still not difficult to find.

Selli-Sillaotsa Trail

A new road is being built so that, when you go from Hollywood Hill towards Selli, you will meet a Y-junction after ca. 5 km. Keep right and continue for ca. 2 km to Selli.

Species List

+ = seen/heard, ++ = numerous, F/M = female/male

Great Crested Grebe *Podiceps cristatus*

++ Haapsalu Bay 15.05, ++ Madona area 22.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05

Red-necked Grebe *Podiceps grisegena*

4 Pürksi 16.05 (2 pairs), ++ Madona area 22.05

Horned Grebe *Podiceps auritus*

2 Vönnu 17.05 (pair)

Great Cormorant *Phalacrocorax carbo*

+ Madona area 22.05

Eurasian Bittern *Botaurus stellaris*

+ Pürksi 15.05, + Penijõe 17.05, + Pikla Ponds 18.05, + Nagli D-ponds 22.05, + Kväpänu (Madona area) 22.05, + Endla 27.05

Great Egret *Ardea alba*

14 Haapsalu Bay 15.05, 6 Madona area 22.05

Grey Heron *Ardea cinerea*

100+ Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Haapsalu-Spithami 16.05, 3 Keemu 17.05, + Pikla Ponds 18.05, + Madona area 22.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05

Black Stork *Ciconia nigra*

3 flew over fields not far from Risti en route Tallinn-Haapsalu 15.05

White Stork *Ciconia ciconia*

5 Tallinn-Haapsalu 15.05, 2 pairs with nests en route 15.05 evening, + Haapsalu-Spithami 16.05, + Sooma 18.05 (pair at nest), + Sooma 19.05, + Madona area 21.05, 1 Kirna Trail 25.05

Mute Swan *Cygnus olor*

+ Haapsalu Bay 15.05 (nest noticed), + Pürksi 15.05, + Madona area 22.05

Whooper Swan *Cygnus cygnus*

5 Madona area 22.05, 2 Endla 27.05 (pair at nest)

Barnacle Goose *Branta leucopsis*

1000+ Keemu 17.05, 70 flew over Penijõe 17.05, 400 flew over Kloosteri 17.05

Common Shelduck *Tadorna tadorna*

8 Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Pürksi 15.05, + Spithami 16.05, 2 Nagli/Idena 22.05 (pair)

Eurasian Wigeon *Anas penelope*

+ Haapsalu Bay 15.05, ++ Nagli/Idena 22.05

Gadwall *Anas strepera*

++ Haapsalu Bay 15.05, 2 Pikla Ponds 18.05

Eurasian Teal *Anas crecca*

2 Pikla Ponds 18.05 (pair), 2 Ilmatsalu 26.05 (pair)

Mallard *Anas platyrhynchos*

+ Vönnu 17.05, + Pikla Ponds 18.05, + Sooma 18.05, + Sooma 20.05, 5 Kirna Trail 25.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05

Northern Pintail *Anas acuta*

1 pair Haapsalu Bay 15.05

Garganey *Anas querquedula*

1 M Pikla Ponds 18.05, 6 Nagli/Idena 22.05

Northern Shoveler *Anas clypeata*

1 M Haapsalu Bay 15.05, 4 Pikla Ponds 18.05, 2 Kärevere 25.05

Tufted Duck *Aythya fuligula*

+ Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Pürksi 15.05, + Nagli D-ponds 22.05, + Vehendi (Vörtsjärv) 26.05

Common Eider *Somateria mollissima*

+ Spithami 16.05

Long-tailed Duck *Clangula hyemalis*

+ Spithami 16.05

Common Goldeneye *Bucephala clangula*

+ Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Spithami 16.05, 2 Sooma 19.05, 2 Nagli D-ponds 22.05 (pair), 1 F Marciena (Madona area) 22.05, 1 F Kirna 25.05, 2 MM + 3 FF Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05

Red-breasted Merganser *Mergus serrator*

+ Spithami 16.05, + Dirhami 16.05

Common Merganser *Mergus merganser*

+ Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Käsmu (Lahemaa NP) 28.05

European Honey-buzzard *Pernis apivorus*

1 Sooma (HQ) 19.05, 2 Olgas Purvs 23.05

White-tailed Eagle *Haliaeetus albicilla*

2 Haapsalu Bay 15.05, 3 Keemu 17.05, 1 Nagli D-ponds 22.05, 1 ad Käsmu (Lahemaa NP) 28.05

Western Marsh Harrier *Circus aeruginosus*

1 brown Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + En route Dirhami-Kiritse 16.05, + Penijõe 17.05, 1M Sooma 19.05, 5-10 Madona area 22.05, 1 Madona area 23.05

Northern Harrier *Circus cyaneus*

1 brown Sooma 20.05

Montagu's Harrier *Circus pygargus*

2 F + 1 M Tuhu Soo 18.05, 1 M Murm (Madona area) 22.05, 1 M en route Tartu - Endla 27.05, 1 brown Endla 27.05

Eurasian Sparrowhawk *Accipiter nisus*

1 Madona area 23.05

Common Buzzard *Buteo buteo*

3 Vönnu - Keemu 17.05, 1 En route Keemu- Penijõe 17.05, 2 Sooma 19.05, 2 Sooma 20.05, + Madona area 21.05, 1 Madona area 22.05, + Madona area 23.05, 2 en route Tartu - Alam-Pedja 25.05, 1 Kirna Trail 25.05

Lesser Spotted Eagle *Aquila pomarina*

1 Sooma 20.05, 1 Madona area 22.05, 1 Puurmani 25.05

Osprey *Pandion haliaetus*

1 Nagli 22.05

Eurasian Hobby *Falco subbuteo*

2-3 Sooma 20.05, 1 Marciena (Madona area) 22.05

Hazel Grouse *Bonasa bonasia*

3 Sooma 18.05 (on the road to Köpu), 1 Sooma 20.05 (at km 21 on the road to Köpu), 1 Madona area 23.05

Grey Partridge *Perdix perdix*

1 Madona area 22.05

Black Grouse *Tetrao tetrix*

2 MM + 1 F Olgas Purvs 23.05, + (heard only) Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05

Water Rail *Rallus aquaticus*

2 Pürksi 15.05

Corn Crane *Crex crex*

+ En route Dirhami-Kiritse 16.05, 2 Vönnu 17.05, + Sooma 18.05, ++ Sooma 19.05, + Sooma 20.05, 2 Marciena (Madona area) 22.05, 1 Olgas Purvs 23.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Endla 27.05

Common Moorhen *Gallinula chloropus*

2 Vönnu 17.05 (pair)

Eurasian Coot *Fulica atra*

2 Pürksi 16.05, + Madona area 22.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05

Common Crane *Grus grus*

2 Tallinn-Haapsalu 15.05, 2 Pürksi 15.05, 2 Haapsalu-Spithami 16.05, 2 Kiritse 16.05 were probably a pair with young, 7 flying over Vönnu 17.05, 3 flying over Häädemeste 18.05, + Sooma 18.05, 12 foraging in field at Köpu 20.05, 2 Murm (Madona area) 21.05, 2 Madona area 22.05, 1 en route Tartu - Alam-Pedja 25.05, + Endla 27.05 (heard only)

Little Ringed Plover *Charadrius dubius*

1 Ilmatsalu 26.05

Common Ringed Plover *Charadrius hiaticula*

+ Spithami 16.05,

Northern Lapwing *Vanellus vanellus*

+ Vönnu 17.05, + Keemu 17.05, + Penijõe 17.05, + Pikla Ponds 18.05, + Sooma 18.05, + Madona area 22.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05

Temminck's Stint *Calidris temminckii*

1 Kirna Trail 25.05

Ruff *Philomachus pugnax*

12 Pürksi 16.05

Common Snipe *Gallinago gallinago*

min 2 Penijõe 17.05, 2 Tuhu Soo 18.05, + Sooma 18.05, + Sooma 20.05, 2 Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05

Great Snipe *Gallinago media*

+ (heard only) Kärevere 25.05; a noisy young man moving around the lek area was probably the reason why the snipes did not come out in the open

Eurasian Woodcock *Scolopax rusticola*

1 Pürksi 16.05 in territorial flight seen on the way back to the main road, 2 Sooma 18.05, 1 Sooma 20.05, 3 Madona area 22.05

Black-tailed Godwit *Limosa limosa*

3 Tuhu Soo 18.05, 4 Pikla Ponds 18.05 (one on nest)

Eurasian Curlew *Numenius arquata*

+ Pürksi 16.05, + Penijõe 17.05, + Sooma 19.05

Common Sandpiper *Actitis hypoleucos*

1 Dirhami 16.05, 1 Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Käsmu (Lahemaa NP) 28.05

Green Sandpiper *Tringa ochropus*

+ Kiritse 16.05, 1 Sooma 20.05, 1 Olgas Purvs 23.05, 2-3 Kirna Trail 25.05, 7 Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05 (along the road)

Wood Sandpiper *Tringa glareola*

+ Endla 27.05

Common Redshank *Tringa totanus*

1 Pürksi 16.05, 1 Vönnu 17.05, + Pikla Ponds 18.05

Common Black-headed Gull *Chroicocephalus ridibundus*

+Tallinn-Haapsalu 15.05, + Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Spithami 16.05, + (colony) Nagli 22.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05

Little Gull *Hydrocoloeus minutus*

20 Pürksi 16.05

Mew Gull *Larus canus*

+ Dirhami 16.05, + Pikla Ponds 18.05

Herring Gull *Larus argentatus*

+Tallinn-Haapsalu 15.05, + Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Spithami 16.05

Great Black-backed Gull *Larus marinus*

1 Haapsalu Bay 15.05, 1 Dirhami 16.05

Whiskered Tern *Chlidonias hybrida*

11 Nagli G4 22.05

Black Tern *Chlidonias niger*

6 Pürksi 15.05, 5 Nagli G4 22.05, 6 Kväpänu (Madona area) 22.05

White-winged Tern *Chlidonias leucopterus*

2 Nagli G4 22.05, 2 Nagli D-ponds 22.05

Common Tern *Sterna hirundo*

+ Spithami 16.05, + Pikla Ponds 18.05, 1 Sooma 19.05, 1 Sooma 20.05, + Madona area 22.05, 3 Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Vehendi (Vörtsjärv) 26.05

Common/ Arctic Tern *Sterna hirundo/paradisaea*

+ Haapsalu Bay 15.05

Stock Dove *Columba oenas*

3 Pikla Ponds 18.05, 2 Murm (Madona area) 21.05, 2 Madona area 23.05

Common Wood Pigeon *Columba palumbus*

2 En route Dirhami-Kiritse 16.05, + Vönnu 17.05, + Sooma 20.05, 2 Madona area 23.05, + Kirna 25.05

Eurasian Collared Dove *Streptopelia decaocto*

2 Madona area 22.05, 1 Koogi (E of Puurmani) 25.05

Common Cuckoo *Cuculus canorus*

+ Pürksi 15.05, + Haapsalu-Spithami 16.05, + Kiritse 16.05, + Vönnu 17.05, + Penijõe 17.05, + Tuhu Soo 18.05, + Sooma 18.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Madona area 21.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05

Common Swift *Apus apus*

4 Haapsalu 16.05, + Viljandi 19.05, + Madona area 21.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Tartu 26.05

Grey-faced Woodpecker *Picus canus*

1 F Varaklani-Nagli road (Madona area) 22.05

Black Woodpecker *Dryocopus martius*

1 Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05, 1 Kirna 25.05

Great Spotted Woodpecker *Dendrocopos major*

1 possible (only heard) Sooma 20.05, 1 Ilmatsalu 26.05, 1 Endla 27.05, + Majakivi-Pikanõmme Trail (Lahemaa NP) 28.05

White-backed Woodpecker *Dendrocopos leucotos*

1 possible (glimpse only) Sooma 20.05, 1 near Plavinas (Latvia) 24.05

Lesser Spotted Woodpecker *Dendrocopos minor*

1 male Kiritse 16.05 (drumming)

Eurasian Skylark *Alauda arvensis*

+ Spithami 16.05, + Vönnu 17.05, + Penijõe 17.05, + Madona area 21.05

Sand Martin *Riparia riparia*

1 Penijõe 17.05

Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica*

+ Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Haapsalu-Spithami 16.05, + Spithami 16.05, + Vönnu 17.05, + Keemu 17.05 + Sooma 18.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Madona area 21.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05

Common House Martin *Delichon urbicum*

+ Keemu 17.05, + Penijõe 17.05, + Sooma 19.05 (several nests at HQ), + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Endla 27.05

Tree Pipit *Anthus trivialis*

+ Dirhami 16.05, + Kiritse 16.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Sooma 20.05, + Madona area 21.05, + Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05, + Endla 27.05

Meadow Pipit *Anthus pratensis*

1 Keemu 17.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Sooma 20.05, + Madona area 21.05

Yellow Wagtail *Motacilla flava*

1 Penijõe 17.05, + Pikla Ponds 18.05, 1 Nagli D-ponds 22.05

White Wagtail *Motacilla alba*

+ Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Haapsalu-Spithami 16.05, + Keemu 17.05, + Penijõe 17.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Madona area 21.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05

Eurasian Wren *Troglodytes troglodytes*

1 Murm (Madona area) 21.05

European Robin *Erithacus rubecula*

2 Sooma 19.05, ++ Sooma 20.05, + Madona area 23.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05, + Endla 27.05

Thrush Nightingale *Luscinia luscinia*

1 Pürksi 15.05, + en route Dirhami-Kiritse 16.05, + Vönnu 17.05, + Keemu 17.05, + Penijõe 17.05, + Haapsalu 17.05, + Sooma 18.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Sooma 20.05, + Madona area 21.05, + Madona area 22.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05

Common Redstart *Phoenicurus phoenicurus*

1 Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05

Whinchat *Saxicola rubetra*

1 Kiritse 16.05, 1 Vönnu 17.05, 2 Sooma 18.05, + Madona area 23.05, 1 M Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05, + Endla 27.05

Northern Wheatear *Oenanthe oenanthe*

2 Pürksi 15.05, + Spithami 16.05, + Vönnu - Keemu 17.05

Common Blackbird *Turdus merula*

2 Pürksi 15.05, + Kiritse 16.05, + Vönnu 17.05, + Vönnu - Keemu 17.05, + Magic Corner 18.05, + Sooma 18.05, + Sooma 18.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05

Fieldfare *Turdus pilaris*

+ Vönnu 17.05, 4 Sooma 18.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05

Song Thrush *Turdus philomelos*

+ Kiritse 16.05, + Vönnu 17.05, + Magic Corner 18.05, + Sooma 18.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05

Redwing *Turdus iliacus*

3 Sooma 18.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05

Mistle Thrush *Turdus viscivorus*

1 Sooma 18.05

Common Grasshopper Warbler *Locustella naevia*

+ Vönnu 17.05, 1 Keemu 17.05, 1 Sooma 18.05, 1 Marciena (Madona area) 22.05, + Olgas Purvs 23.05

River Warbler *Locustella fluviatilis*

1 Sooma 19.05, 1 Murm (Madona area) 21.05, 1 Nagli 22.05, 1 Marciena (Madona area) 22.05, + Olgas Purvs 23.05, 1 en route Tartu - Alam-Pedja 25.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05

Sedge Warbler *Acrocephalus schoenobaenus*

1 Nagli 22.05, 1 Kväpänu (Madona area) 22.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05

Blyth's Reed Warbler *Acrocephalus dumetorum*

1 Marciena (Madona area) 22.05, 1 Ilmatsalu 26.05, 3 Endla 27.05 (among the houses at the HQ), 1 Tsitre (Lahemaa NP) 28.05

Marsh Warbler *Acrocephalus palustris*

1 Olgas Purvs 23.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05

Eurasian Reed Warbler *Acrocephalus scirpaceus*

1 Haapsalu Bay 15.05, 2 Pikla Ponds 18.05, + Nagli 22.05, + Endla 27.05

Great Reed Warbler *Acrocephalus arundinaceus*

2 Pürksi 15.05, 3 Pürksi 16.05, ++ Pikla Ponds 18.05, ++ Madona area 22.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05, + Käsmu (Lahemaa NP) 28.05

Icterine Warbler *Hippolais icterina*

2 Sooma 19.05, 1 Sooma 20.05, 1 Laudone (Madona area) 21.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, 1 Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05 (imitating a.o. song of rosefinch), + Käsmu (Lahemaa NP) 28.05, + Tsitre (Lahemaa NP) 28.05

Lesser Whitethroat *Sylvia curruca*

1 Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Dirhami 16.05, + Kiritse 16.05, + Keemu 17.05, 1 Tuho Soo 18.05

Common Whitethroat *Sylvia communis*

+ En route Dirhami-Kiritse 16.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Sooma 20.05, + Madona area 22.05, + Madona area 23.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05

Garden Warbler *Sylvia borin*

+ Kiritse 16.05, + Vönnu 17.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Madona area 21.05, + Madona area 22.05, + Madona area 23.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05

Eurasian Blackcap *Sylvia atricapilla*

1 singing Dirhami 16.05, + Madona area 23.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Endla 27.05

Greenish Warbler *Phylloscopus trochiloides*

1 Olgas Purvs 23.05, 2 Käsmu (Lahemaa NP) 28.05 (Probably under-recorded during the earlier days of the trip because we had difficulties getting used to its song)

Wood Warbler *Phylloscopus sibilatrix*

++ Dirhami 16.05, + Kiritse 16.05, ++ Magic Corner 18.05, ++ Sooma 19.05, + Madona area 21.05, + Madona area 23.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05, + Endla 27.05

Common Chiffchaff *Phylloscopus collybita*

2 Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Spithami 16.05, + Kiritse 16.05, + Vönnu 17.05, + Magic Corner 18.05, + Sooma 18.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Madona area 21.05, + Madona area 22.05, + Madona area 23.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05

Willow Warbler *Phylloscopus trochilus*

+ Pürksi 15.05, + Spithami 16.05, + Kiritse 16.05, + Vönnu 17.05, + Penijõe 17.05, + Magic Corner 18.05, + Sooma 18.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05

Spotted Flycatcher *Muscicapa striata*

+ Endla 27.05, + Käsmu (Lahemaa NP) 28.05, + Tsitre (Lahemaa NP) 28.05

Red-breasted Flycatcher *Ficedula parva*

2-3 Dirhami 16.05, + Kiritse 16.05, + Magic Corner 18.05, + Sooma 20.05 1 Olgas Purvs 23.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, 1 Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05, 2 Endla 27.05 (pair), + Käsmu (Lahemaa NP) 28.05, + Majakivi-Pikanõmme Trail (Lahemaa NP) 28.05

Eurasian Pied Flycatcher *Ficedula hypoleuca*

2 Kiritse 16.05 (pair building nest), + Magic Corner 18.05, 1 Sooma 19.05, + Madona area 21.05, + Madona area 23.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Endla 27.05

Blue Tit *Cyanistes caeruleus*

+ Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05

Great Tit *Parus major*

+ Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Dirhami 16.05, + Kiritse 16.05, + Keemu 17.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Sooma 20.05, + Madona area 21.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05

Marsh Tit *Poecile palustris*

1 Kirna Trail 25.05

Eurasian Nuthatch *Sitta europaea*

2 Sooma 20.05

Eurasian Treecreeper *Certhia familiaris*

1 Dirhami 16.05, 2 Kirna Trail 25.05 (pair)

Eurasian Penduline Tit *Remiz pendulinus*

2 and a nest Ilmatsalu 26.05

Eurasian Golden Oriole *Oriolus oriolus*

+ Olgas Purvs 23.05, + Vehendi (Vörtsjärv) 26.05, 1-2 Tsitre (Lahemaa NP) 28.05

Red-backed Shrike *Lanius collurio*

1 M Kloosteri 17.05, 2 pairs Sooma 20.05

Great Grey Shrike *Lanius excubitor*

1 Laudone (Madona area) 21.05

Eurasian Jay *Garrulus glandarius*

1 Haapsalu-Spithami 16.05, 1 Sooma 20.05, + Madona area 23.05, + Endla 27.05

Eurasian Magpie *Pica pica*

1 En route Dirhami-Kiritse 16.05, + Vönnu 17.05, + Haapsalu 17.05, + Madona area 21.05

Western Jackdaw *Corvus monedula*

+ Vönnu - Keemu 17.05, + Haapsalu 17.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05

Rook *Corvus frugilegus*

+ Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Vönnu - Keemu 17.05, + Viljandi 18.05 (colony), + Tartu 26.05

Hooded Crow *Corvus cornix*

+Tallinn-Haapsalu 15.05, + Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + En route Dirhami-Kiritse 16.05, + Haapsalu 17.05, + Madona area 21.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, ++ Endla 27.05

Northern Raven *Corvus corax*

1 Tuhu Soo 18.05, 1 Magic Corner 18.05, 1 Häädemeste 18.05, 1 Pikla Ponds 18.05, 1 Sooma 19.05, 3 Madona area 23.05, 1 en route Tartu - Alam-Pedja 25.05, 1 Kirna Trail 25.05, + Selli-Sillaotsa 25.05

Common Starling *Sturnus vulgaris*

+Tallinn-Haapsalu 15.05, 3 Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Pikla Ponds 18.05, + Madona area 21.05, + Madona area 22.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05

House Sparrow *Passer domesticus*

1 En route Keemu- Penijõe 17.05, + Madona area 22.05

Eurasian Tree Sparrow *Passer montanus*

+ Viljandi 18.05, + Viljandi 19.05, + Endla 27.05

Common Chaffinch *Fringilla coelebs*

+ Haapsalu Bay 15.05, + Haapsalu-Spithami 16.05, + Spithami 16.05, + Vönnu 17.05, + Magic Corner 18.05, ++ Sooma 18.05, + Sooma 19.05, + Madona area 21.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Endla 27.05

European Greenfinch *Carduelis chloris*

+ Penijõe 17.05

European Goldfinch *Carduelis carduelis*

2 Keemu 17.05, 4 Sooma 18.05, 1 Tsitre (Lahemaa NP) 28.05

Eurasian Siskin *Carduelis spinus*

+ Kiritse 16.05, 2 Käsmu (Lahemaa NP) 28.05 (pair)

Common Linnet *Carduelis cannabina*

+ Spithami 16.05, + Keemu 17.05, + Madona area 22.05

Common Rosefinch *Carpodacus erythrinus*

+ Sooma 18.05, + Sooma 19.05, ++ Sooma 20.05, + Madona area 22.05, + Madona area 23.05, + Kirna Trail 25.05, + Ilmatsalu 26.05, + Endla 27.05

Eurasian Bullfinch *Pyrrhula pyrrhula*

1 M Sooma 20.05, + Endla 27.05, + Majakivi-Pikanõmme Trail (Lahemaa NP) 28.05

Yellowhammer *Emberiza citrinella*

+ Haapsalu-Spithami 16.05, + Kiritse 16.05, + Madona area 22.05

Common Reed Bunting *Emberiza schoeniclus*

1 Pürksi 15.05, + Penijõe 17.05, 1 Sooma 20.05, 1 pair Räksi (Sooma) 20.05, + Madona area 22.05