

Birding trip Romania 21.12.2004-2.1.2005 with Ecoadventure

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21.12.2004 Bucarest-Salicioara (night)

1 Barn Owl

22.12.2004 Babadag plateau (cloudy, cold and windy)

~1'000 White-fronted Geese

~200 Red-breasted Geese

~10 Greylag Geese

~100 Smews

Mallards

8 Grey Partridges

Common Gulls

Steppe Gulls

Black-headed Gulls

Skylarks

~300 Calandra Larks

1 Lapland Bunting

1 Snow Bunting

1 Dunnock

Babadag forest

1 Long-legged Buzzard

3 Pheasants

~5 Great Spotted Woodpeckers

1 Middle Spotted Woodpecker

Blackbirds

1 Fieldfare

Marsh Tits

Long-tailed Tits

Great Tits

Jays

Magpies

Hooded Crows

Chaffinches

3 trumpeting Bullfinches

Reed Buntings

Saliciorara

Collared Doves

Jackdaws *Corvus monedula soemmerringii*

House Sparrows

Tree Sparrows

23.12.2004 Saliciora (sunny, cold and windy)

White-fronted Geese

Collared Doves

Jackdaws
Rooks
Great Tits
Blue Tits
House Sparrows
Tree Sparrows

Babadag Plateau

2 Rough-legged Buzzard ad.

1 Kestrel
Hen Harriers
1 White-tailed Eagle
1 Common Buzzard
1 Goshawk
Min. 3'000 White-fronted Geese
Min. 100 Red-breasted Geese
~10 Wood Pigeons
~10 Stock Doves
Skylarks
Calandra Larks
Starlings
Hooded Crows
Greenfinches
Goldfinches
Yellowhammers
Reed Buntings
Chaffinches

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~10 Hen Harriers
2 Marsh Harriers
Mallards
Pochards
~100 White-fronted Geese
2 Peregrine Falcons (pair ssp. callidus)
1 Kestrel
Jackdaws
Rooks
Reed Buntings

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~50 Great Cormorants
min. 30 Black-necked Grebes
1 Redshank
1 Pintail
25 Crested Larks
Black-headed Gulls
Common Gulls

Black Sea shore

Steppe Gulls
Common Gulls
Black-headed Gulls

24.12.2004 Bucarest-Pitesti (sunny, cold)

2 Great Grey Shrikes
1 Kestrel
3 Grey Herons
Jackdaws
Rooks

Dedulesti

6 trumpeting Bullfinches+ many others seen from the car
1 Goshawk

Calimanesti

~5 Little Grebes
1 Black-headed Gulls
~10 Bullfinches
Goldfinches

Cozia National Park

1 Ural Owl *Strix uralensis macroura* hunting at 16h

25.12.2004 Cornetu (sunny, cold)

1 Great Grey Shrike
1 Goshawk
1 Kestrel
1 Common Buzzard
10 Grey Partridges
Skylarks
~10 Crested Larks
Jackdaws
Rooks
Goldfinches
House Sparrows

Small wood bordering river Amaradia

2 Syrian Woodpeckers
1 Great Spotted Woodpecker
Trumpeting Bullfinches
Pine Siskins
Great Tits
Blue Tits
1 Wren

26.12.2004 Goiesti-Negoiesti (cloudy and windy)

min. 2 Pheasants
1 Common Buzzard
1 Raven

1 Black Woodpecker
Magpies
Jackdaws
Jays
Hawfinches
6 Trumpeting Bullfinches
Yellowhammers
Greenfinches
~30 Crossbills
Blue Tits
Marsh Tits
Long-tailed Tits
Tree Sparrows
Hooded Crows
Goldcrests
Bee-eater holes

Following river Amaradia to the north

Many trumpeting Bullfinches
Hawfinches

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1 Sparrowhawk
1 Great Spotted Woodpecker
30 Waxwings
3 Mistle Thrushes
~10 Fieldfares
min. 1 Blackbird
Marsh Tits
Blue Tits
Great Tits
Goldcrests
Jays
Magpies
2 Nuthatches
Chaffinches
~20 Bramblings
~10 trumpeting Bullfinches
Greenfinches
Hawfinches

27.12.2004 Cornetu-Craiova (clear...above the fog)

1 Great Grey Shrike
1 Kestrel

Craiova-Radovan (oak forest)

3 Common Buzzards
1 Little Spotted Woodpecker m.
1 Middle Spotted Woodpecker
1 Great Spotted Woodpecker

1 Syrian Woodpecker
Blue Tits
Great Tits
Goldcrests
Jays

Marshes along the Danube near Ciuperceii Noi

~10 Common Buzzards
1 Kestrel
5 Great Grey Shrikes
1 Little Owl
Linnets
Rooks
Jackdaws
Hooded Crows
Magpies
1 Blackbird
1 Great Spotted Woodpecker
Great Tits
Blue Tits
2 Treecreepers
Yellowhammers
~10 Corn Buntings

28.12.2004 Cornetu-Runcu (foggy, cold)

1 Great Grey Shrike
many Bullfinches

Valley north of Runcu

Min. 3 White-headed Long-tailed Tits
Blue Tits
Great Tits
Goldcrests
Marsh Tits
Nuthatches

Visit to the Tismana monastery

29.12.2004 Runcu Baile Herculane (cloudy)

Wolf tracks in the snow
1 Great Spotted Woodpecker
3 Syrian Woodpeckers
1 Hawfinch
~10 trumpeting Bullfinches

Baile Herculane

2 Middle Spotted Woodpeckers
1 Robin
Blue Tits
Great Tits

Marsh Tits
Nuthatches

30.12.2004 Cerna river near Orsova

min. 50 Pygmy Cormorants

~10 Great Cormorants
1 Grey Heron
~50 Little Grebes
1 Kingfisher
~200 Coots
2 Steppe Gulls
2 Black-headed Gulls
5 Goldeneyes
~10 Tufted Ducks
~30 Pochards
2 Syrian Woodpeckers
1 Raven
1 Grey Wagtail

Orsova

Great Crested Grebes
1 Goshawk
40 Smews
4 Greater Scaups
Steppe Gulls
Black-headed Gulls

Longing the Danube to the south-west

Min. 1'000 Coots
Steppe Gulls
Great Cormorans
1 Pygmy Cormorant
Great Crested Grebes
Little Grebes
Smews
Goldeneyes
1 Goosander m.

Dubova-Svinista

1 Woodcock
1 Blackbird
1 Robin
1 Shoveler
Pochards
Tufted Ducks
Long-tailed Tits
2 Ravens
Marsh Tits
Great Tits
Chaffinches

31.12.2004 Baile Herculane, up to the White Cross (cloudy, mild)

3 Middle Spotted Woodpeckers

2 Great Spotted Woodpeckers

Jays

Min. 1 trumpeting Bullfinch

2 Ravens

Treecreepers

Nuthatches

Marsh Tits

Great Tits

Blue Tits

1st January 2005 Baile Herculane (sunny, mild)

1 Dipper

2 Ravens

Portile de Fier

2 Golden Eagles ad. (pair)

1 White-tailed Eagle

1 probable Saker Falcon

5 Common Buzzards

1 Sparrowhawk

1 Goshawk ad.

Great Cormorants

Hundreds of Coots

Goldfinches

Greenfinches

2 January Bucarest-airport (cloudy, cold)

Many Rooks

Many Jackdaws

Magpies

Fieldfares

1 Redwing

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