

Comments on data from Ethiopian trip, 10.2-28.2 2011

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The **summary of the day's counts is in bold** and the counts from individual sites are not.

- These data are inevitably incomplete. We have tried to keep them as accurate as possible by removing contentious records.
- On most days, we made observations while we were driving; these account for the differences between the individual site counts and the day's summary total.
- On 18.2, one car went over the Sanetti plateau to stay in the Harena forest and the other went east to Sof Omar. Unfortunately, I do not have individualised data for Sof Omar and other sites.

Breeding observations were limited:

- Crowned Eagle *Stephanoaetus coronatus*: a nest with a smallish chick, Wondo Genet, 15.2.11. Most of the nearby trees had been cut down and there was a charcoal fire at the bottom of the tree, so the chances that the chick fledged did not look high.
- Speckled Pigeons *Columba guinea*: 1 pair copulating, Awash, 12.2.11
- Bush Petronia *Gymnoris dentata*: nest with young in a dead tree stump, Melka Ghebdu, 12.2.11
- Purple Grenadier *Uraeginthus ianthinogaster*: female feeding well-fledged young, Melka Ghebdu, 12.2.11

Sites and dates

C, common p, present

Date	Arrive	Leave	Place	N	E
10.2	1130	1230	Wet valley N of Muka Turi village	9deg 33.50	38deg 52
	1300	p.m.	EthioGerman hotel	9.73197	38.81605
	1600	1740	Debre Libanos monastery	9.71198	38.84772
11.2	0615	0800	Escarpment S of Jemma river	9.82889	38.88748
	0815	0828	Jemma bridge	9.91188	38.92492
	1100	1110			
	0830	1045	Lomi bridge	9.95536	38.89866
	1330	1350	W edge of Debre Birhan		
	1620	1730	Gemessa Gedel	9.81893	39.73463
12.2	0650	0730	Scarp S of Ankober	9.56939	39.75596
	0750	1015	Melka Ghebdu	9.56838	39.75521
	1700	1830	Awash NP (Waterfall Lodge)	8.84257	40.01234
13.2	0650	1900	Awash NP (ilala Sala plains)	8.89957	40.89957
14.2	0650	0950	Awash NP	8.84257	40.01234
	1000	1100	Lake Beseka N shore	8.90299	39.89673
	1530	1540	Acacia woods SW of Lake Ziway	7.706	38.655
	1720	1830	Wabe Shabelle hotel, Wondo Genet	7.08341	38.63763
15.2	0600	1820	Wondo Genet	7.08201	38.64370
16.2	0815	0920	Kofele Tarn		
	1150	1210	Cape Eagle Owl site	7.103	39.691
	1250	1700	Bale Mts. Park HQ, Dinsho	7.096	39.790
	1730	1745	River between Dinsho and Goba	7.17161	39.97763
17.2	0750	0830	Sanetti plateau, north slopes	6.88711	39.90782
	1230	1630	Garba Guracha tarn area	6.850	39.881
18.2*	0700	0730	Wabe Shabelle Hotel, Goba	7.02420	39.979887
	0800	0850	Hagenia forest S of Goba	*****	*****
	0920	1040	Sanetti plateau		
	1130	1820	Katcha area, Harena forest	6.717	39.725
18.2*	0700	1330	SOF OMAR AREA	6.90588	40.84695
19.2	0615	1000	Katcha area	6.717	39.725
	1030	1050	Lower Harena forest	6.514	39.743
	1410	1500	Bush S of Dolo Mena	5.917	39.526
	1530	1545	Dry river valley	5.773	39.537
	1720	1800	Negele town	5.331	39.577

20.2	0720	0900	First stop, Negele – Bogol road	5.163	40.335
	1000	1015	Filtu town	5.115	40.658
	1030	1100	Second stop, Negele – Bogol road	4.950	40.793
	1120	1135	Third stop, Negele – Bogol road	4.838	40.887
	1250	1310	Fourth stop, Negele – Bogol road	4.624	41.296
	1345	1430	Bogol Manyo	4.519	41.537
	1645	1840	Bogol Manyo watercourse	4.524	41.565
21.2	0800	1130	Mining track stop	4.427	41.743
	1200	1310	Genale road	4.456	41.811
	1615	1815	Melka Suftu road	4.200	41.850
22.2	0730	0850	Fifth stop, Negele – Bogol road	4.623	41.281
	1000	1015	Sixth stop, Negele – Bogol road		
	1100	1120	Filtu town	5.115	40.658
	1250	1730	Liben plains	5.270	39.687
23.2	0620	0700	Drainage line, Negele – Liben	5.307	39.634
	0830	1110	Melka Ghuba - river crossing	4.863	39.310
	1240	1300	First stop, Wachile - Soda road	4.516	39.010
	1350	1420	Second stop, Wachile - Soda road	4.210	38.700
	1450	1525	Third stop, Wachile - Soda road	4.198	38.410
	1535	1630	Sariti plains	4.176	38.313
24.2	0650	0840	Plain S of Dubuluk		
	0920	0930	Dubuluk		
	0940	1050	First stop, Dubuluk - Yabello road	4.390	38.273
	1120	1140	Second stop, Dubuluk - Yabello road	4.497	38.273
	1150	1220	Third stop, Dubuluk - Yabello road	4.559	38.252
	1240	1610	Fourth stop, Dubuluk - Yabello road	4.675	38.282
	1625	1830	Fifth stop, Dubuluk - Yabello road	4.704	38.197
25.2	0650	0720	Stop, Yabello – Agere Maryam road		
	1400	1550	United Africa Hotel, Awassa	7.05716	38.47015
	1630	1850	Lake Awassa park	7.04598	38.45651
26.2	0630	0730	United Africa Hotel, Awassa	7.05716	38.47015
	0830	0840	Fields N of Awassa	7.122	38.500
	0940	1110	Bekele Molla Hotel, Lake Langano	7.548	38.683
	1130	1240	Wabe Shabelle Hotel, Lake Langano	7.652	38.699
	1315	1410	Lake Ziway causeway, W side	7.925	38.725
27.2	0630	1200	Gibe gorge	8.256	37.573
28.2	0700	0730	E Addis suburb	9.01290	38.80678