



Official Thesen Islands Bird List

103 species

[includes immediate vicinity around Thesen Islands
i.e. northern saltmarsh, Ashmead Channel]

Water Birds

<input type="checkbox"/> Avocet	<input type="checkbox"/> Grebe	<input type="checkbox"/> Three-banded
<input type="checkbox"/> Pied	<input type="checkbox"/> Little	<input type="checkbox"/> White-fronted
<input type="checkbox"/> Coot	<input type="checkbox"/> Greenshank	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandpiper
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-knobbed	<input type="checkbox"/> Common	<input type="checkbox"/> Common
<input type="checkbox"/> Cormorant	<input type="checkbox"/> Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Curlew
<input type="checkbox"/> Cape	<input type="checkbox"/> Kelp	<input type="checkbox"/> Marsh
<input type="checkbox"/> Reed	<input type="checkbox"/> Heron	<input type="checkbox"/> Shoveler
<input type="checkbox"/> White-breasted	<input type="checkbox"/> Grey	<input type="checkbox"/> Cape
<input type="checkbox"/> Crake	<input type="checkbox"/> Black-headed	<input type="checkbox"/> Spoonbill
<input type="checkbox"/> Black	<input type="checkbox"/> Ibis	<input type="checkbox"/> African
<input type="checkbox"/> Dabchick	<input type="checkbox"/> Hadeda	<input type="checkbox"/> Stilt
<input type="checkbox"/> (see Little Grebe)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sacred	<input type="checkbox"/> Black-winged
<input type="checkbox"/> Darter	<input type="checkbox"/> Kingfisher	<input type="checkbox"/> Teal
<input type="checkbox"/> African	<input type="checkbox"/> Giant	<input type="checkbox"/> Cape
<input type="checkbox"/> Dikkop (see Thick-knee)	<input type="checkbox"/> Half-collared	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-billed Teal
<input type="checkbox"/> Duck	<input type="checkbox"/> Malachite	<input type="checkbox"/> Tern
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-billed	<input type="checkbox"/> Pied	<input type="checkbox"/> Caspian
<input type="checkbox"/> White-faced	<input type="checkbox"/> Lapwing (Plover)	<input type="checkbox"/> Common
<input type="checkbox"/> Egret	<input type="checkbox"/> Blacksmith	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandwich
<input type="checkbox"/> Cattle	<input type="checkbox"/> Moorhen	<input type="checkbox"/> Swift
<input type="checkbox"/> Little	<input type="checkbox"/> Common	<input type="checkbox"/> Thick-knee
<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-billed	<input type="checkbox"/> Oystercatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> (Dikkop)
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish-Eagle	<input type="checkbox"/> African Black	<input type="checkbox"/> Spotted
<input type="checkbox"/> African	<input type="checkbox"/> Plover	<input type="checkbox"/> Water
<input type="checkbox"/> Goose	<input type="checkbox"/> Grey	<input type="checkbox"/> Whimbrel
<input type="checkbox"/> Egyptian	<input type="checkbox"/> Kittlitz's	<input type="checkbox"/> Common
	<input type="checkbox"/> Ringed	

Infrequent Sightings

<input type="checkbox"/> Curlew	<input type="checkbox"/> Heron	<input type="checkbox"/> Sanderling
<input type="checkbox"/> Eurasian	<input type="checkbox"/> Black	<input type="checkbox"/> Snipe
<input type="checkbox"/> Flamingo	<input type="checkbox"/> Purple	<input type="checkbox"/> African
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater	<input type="checkbox"/> Ibis	<input type="checkbox"/> Painted
<input type="checkbox"/> Grebe	<input type="checkbox"/> Glossy	<input type="checkbox"/> Turnstone
<input type="checkbox"/> Great Crested	<input type="checkbox"/> Night-Heron	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruddy
	<input type="checkbox"/> Black-crowned	

Terrestrial Birds

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Bishop | <input type="checkbox"/> | Osprey |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Red | <input type="checkbox"/> | Pigeon |
| | Boubou | <input type="checkbox"/> | Feral (see Rock Dove) |
| | Southern | <input type="checkbox"/> | Speckled |
| | Bulbul | <input type="checkbox"/> | Prinia |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Cape | <input type="checkbox"/> | Karoo |
| | Canary | <input type="checkbox"/> | Raven |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Brimstone (Bully) | <input type="checkbox"/> | White-necked |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Cape | <input type="checkbox"/> | Robin-Chat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Forest | <input type="checkbox"/> | Cape |
| | Crow | <input type="checkbox"/> | Seedeater |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Cape | <input type="checkbox"/> | Streaky-headed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Pied | <input type="checkbox"/> | Shrike (see Common Fiscal) |
| | Cuckoo | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sparrow |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Diderick | <input type="checkbox"/> | House |
| | Dove | <input type="checkbox"/> | Starling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Cape Turtle | <input type="checkbox"/> | Common (European) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Laughing | <input type="checkbox"/> | Red-winged |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Rock (see Feral Pigeon) | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sugarbird |
| | Drongo | <input type="checkbox"/> | Cape |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Fork-tailed | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sunbird |
| | Eagle-Owl | <input type="checkbox"/> | Amethyst (Black) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Spotted | <input type="checkbox"/> | Malachite |
| | Fiscal | <input type="checkbox"/> | Orange-breasted |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Common | <input type="checkbox"/> | Southern Double-collared |
| | Flycatcher | <input type="checkbox"/> | Swallow |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Fiscal | <input type="checkbox"/> | Greater Striped |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Paradise | <input type="checkbox"/> | White-throated |
| | Goshawk | <input type="checkbox"/> | Swift |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | African | <input type="checkbox"/> | White-rumped |
| | Gymnogene (see African Harrier-Hawk) | <input type="checkbox"/> | Wagtail |
| | Harrier-Hawk | <input type="checkbox"/> | Cape |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | African | <input type="checkbox"/> | Waxbill |
| | Kite | <input type="checkbox"/> | Common |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Yellow-billed | <input type="checkbox"/> | Weaver |
| | Longclaw | <input type="checkbox"/> | Cape |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Cape (Orange-throated) | <input type="checkbox"/> | White-eye |
| | Martin | <input type="checkbox"/> | Cape |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Rock | <input type="checkbox"/> | Whydah |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> | Pin-tailed |

Sources:

- CWAC (Coordinated Waterbird Counts) Knysna Lagoon Survey 22 Jul 2013 (only Thesen Islands and Ashmead Channel sightings included here)
- CWAC Thesen Islands Surveys 9 Jan 1999 & 30 Jan 2007
- CWAC Survey *around* Thesen Islands 26 Oct 1999
- Thesen Islands residents: reported sightings 2012/2013

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