



Finland & Norway: Birding and Nature

Dates: 4 - 16 June 2022. Observers: Gerard Gorman and group.

#	Family or Species Common Name	Scientific Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Comments/days seen
Notes: X = seen. H = heard only. Leader only records are not included. For more specifics, numbers, subspecies etc., see the TOUR REPORT.																
	DUCKS, GEESE AND SWANS	Anatidae														
1	Graylag Goose	<i>Anser anser</i>	X		X	X							X	X		Scattered observations
2	Taiga Bean-Goose	<i>Anser fabalis</i>							8							Seen in evening near Ivalo
3	Tundra Bean-Goose	<i>Anser serrirostris</i>									1					Seen near Gednje
4	Barnacle Goose	<i>Branta leucopsis</i>											X			A few pairs on Hornøya
5	Brent Goose	<i>Branta bernicla</i>											X			1 'pale-bellied' on Hornøya
6	Whooper Swan	<i>Cygnus cygnus</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Widespread, seen everyday
7	Common Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>		X	X	X						X				Mostly in Oulu area, Finland
8	Garganey	<i>Spatula querquedula</i>		X	X											Only seen in Oulu area
9	Northern Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>	X	X	X	X										Only seen in Oulu area
10	Gadwall	<i>Mareca strepera</i>		X												Seen on one day near Oulu
11	Eurasian Wigeon	<i>Mareca penelope</i>				X						X	X	X		Scattered observations
12	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Widespread, seen everyday
13	Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>			X					X		X		X		Scattered observations
14	Green-winged Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>			X	X	X				X	X	X	X		Scattered observations
15	Tufted Duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Widespread, seen everyday
16	Greater Scaup	<i>Aythya marila</i>								X	X	X				Only seen in Norway
17	Common Eider	<i>Somateria mollissima</i>								X	X	X	X	X		Many seen in Norway
18	Velvet Scoter	<i>Melanitta fusca</i>				X	X	X		X			X	X		Scattered observations
19	Common Scoter	<i>Melanitta nigra</i>										X	X			Only seen on sea in Norway
20	Long-tailed Duck	<i>Clangula hyemalis</i>								X	X	X	X			Only seen in Norway
21	Common Goldeneye	<i>Bucephala clangula</i>				X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		Fairly common throughout
22	Smew	<i>Mergellus albellus</i>			X	X			X					5		5 males seen near Kaamanen
23	Common Merganser	<i>Mergus merganser</i>				X				X	X	X	X	X		Quite common in Norway
24	Red-breasted Merganser	<i>Mergus serrator</i>	X		X			X				X	X	X		Scattered observations
	PHEASANTS, PARTRIDGES AND ALLIES	Phasianidae														



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25	Hazel Grouse	<i>Tetrastes bonasia</i>		X		2										Pair on an open road on day 4
26	Willow Ptarmigan	<i>Lagopus lagopus</i>								X	X	X				Several brief views
27	Rock Ptarmigan	<i>Lagopus muta</i>									X					1 seen on way to Kongsfjord
28	Gray Partridge	<i>Perdix perdix</i>		X												A rarity but 3 seen near Oulu
29	Ring-necked Pheasant	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>			X											Only seen in Oulu near hotel
	GREBES	Podicipedidae														
30	Horned Grebe	<i>Podiceps auritus</i>			1	X										A very close male on day 3
31	Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>	X	X	40	X										Displaying pairs at Oulu
	PIGEONS AND DOVES	Columbidae														
32	Rock Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	X	X					X			X	X	X		Only 'feral' birds seen
33	Common Wood-Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X							Only seen in Finland
	SWIFTS	Apodidae														
34	Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	X	X	X	X										Many in Oulu area
	RAILS, COOTS AND ALLIES	Rallidae														
35	Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>			X											Only seen in Oulu area
	CRANES	Gruidae														
36	Common Crane	<i>Grus grus</i>	X	X		X	X		X	X						Scattered observations
	OYSTERCATCHERS	Haematopodidae														
37	Eurasian Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>								X	X	X	X	X		Common in Norway
	PLOVERS AND LAPWINGS	Charadriidae														
38	European Golden-Plover	<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>							X		X	X				Good views in Norway
39	Northern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	X	X	X	X	X									Common in Oulu area
40	Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>								X	X	X	X	X		Common in the north
41	Eurasian Dotterel	<i>Charadrius morinellus</i>							X							One on nest at Kaunispää
	SANDPIPERS AND ALLIES	Scolopacidae														
42	Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>					X				X					Surprisingly, only 2 seen
43	Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	X	X	X	X			X			X				Displaying and calling at Oulu

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44	Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>										X		X		Single birds at Vadsø
45	Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>		X	X	X										Displaying birds at Oulu
46	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>									X					Single bird at Vadsø
47	Ruff	<i>Calidris pugnax</i>					X			20	X	X		X		Several leks found in Norway
48	Temminck's Stint	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>									X	X	X			Several displaying birds seen
49	Dunlin	<i>Calidris alpina</i>									X			15		Good views at Vadsø
50	Purple Sandpiper	<i>Calidris maritima</i>									2					Seen near Batsfjord
51	Eurasian Woodcock	<i>Scolopax rusticola</i>			X				X							2 seen briefly in flight
52	Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X		X		Common & widespread
53	Red-necked Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus lobatus</i>									X	X	X			Only seen in Arctic Norway
54	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>		X			X			X						3 single birds seen
55	Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>					X									1 seen briefly in Oulanka NP
56	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>			X		X									Just 2 seen in Finland
57	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>					X			X	X	X		X		Quite common & widespread
58	Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>									X	X	X	X		Only seen in the north
	SKUAS AND JAEGER	Stercorariidae														
59	Parasitic Jaeger	<i>Stercorarius parasiticus</i>								X	X	X	X	X		Many seen in Norway
60	Long-tailed Jaeger	<i>Stercorarius longicaudus</i>								X	X	X	X			A few seen in Norway
	AUKS, PUFFINS AND ALLIES	Alcidae														
61	Common Murre	<i>Uria aalge</i>											X			Many seen Hornøya Island
62	Thick-billed Murre	<i>Uria lomvia</i>											X			Only seen on Hornøya Island
63	Razorbill	<i>Alca torda</i>											X			Only seen on Hornøya Island
64	Black Guillemot	<i>Cephus grylle</i>								X	X		X			Close views in Batsfjord
65	Atlantic Puffin	<i>Fratercula arctica</i>											X			Only seen on Hornøya Island
	GULLS AND TERNS	Laridae														
66	Black-legged Kittiwake	<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>								X	X	X	X	X		Abundant in coastal Norway
67	Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>	X	X	X	X				X		X				Scattered observations

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68	Little Gull	<i>Hydrocoloeus minutus</i>				X										Some over lake after Oulu
69	Common Gull	<i>Larus canus</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		Common and widespread
70	Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>								X	X	X	X	X		Common in Norway
71	Ross's Gull	<i>Rhodostethia rosea</i>											1	1		Single bird in Vardø harbour
72	Great Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus marinus</i>									X	X	X	X		Common in coastal Norway
73	Black Tern	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>				1										A rarity: 1 on lake after Oulu
74	Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	X	X	X	X					X					Mostly seen in Finland
75	Arctic Tern	<i>Sterna paradisaea</i>									X	X	X	X		Common in Arctic Norway
	LOONS	Gaviidae														
76	Red-throated Loon	<i>Gavia stellata</i>				X				X	X	X	X			Mostly seen in Norway
77	Arctic Loon	<i>Gavia arctica</i>			X	X				X	X	X	X	X		Mostly seen in Norway
	GANNETS AND BOOBIES	Sulidae														
78	Northern Gannet	<i>Morus bassanus</i>											X			Over the sea at Hamningberg
	CORMORANTS	Phalacrocoracidae														
79	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>								X	X	X	X			Only seen in Norway
80	European Shag	<i>Gulosus aristotelis</i>											X			Many nesting on Hornøya
	OSPREY	Pandionidae														
81	Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>							X							1 with a fish N of Kuusamo
	HAWKS, KITES AND EAGLES	Accipitridae														
82	Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>						1					1			Uncommon, just 2 seen
83	Eurasian Marsh-Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>	X	X	X											Only seen in Oulu area
84	White-tailed Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>								2	1	25	55	20		Many around Varangerfjord
85	Rough-legged Hawk	<i>Buteo lagopus</i>								2		2	4	1		Only seen in Norway
86	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>							X							Single bird near Ivalo
	OWLS	Strigidae														
87	Northern Hawk Owl	<i>Surnia ulula</i>		4												Fledged birds near Oulu
88	Eurasian Pygmy-Owl	<i>Glaucidium passerinum</i>			1											Adult on nest

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89	Ural Owl	<i>Strix uralensis</i>		4												1 adult, 3 fledglings near Oulu
90	Great Gray Owl	<i>Strix nebulosa</i>		2												Adult and chick on nest
91	Short-eared Owl	<i>Asio flammeus</i>			2	2						3		1		Great views of several birds
92	Boreal Owl	<i>Aegolius funereus</i>			1											1 at a nest box near Oulu
	WOODPECKERS	Picidae														
93	Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>	X	X	X	3	X									Mostly at feeders in Finland
94	Black Woodpecker	<i>Dryocopus martius</i>			1											1 calling and flying near Oulu
	FALCONS	Falconidae														
95	Eurasian Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>			1			1							1	Single roadside birds seen
	CROWS AND JAYS	Corvidae														
96	Siberian Jay	<i>Perisoreus infaustus</i>					X	X								Confiding birds near Kuusamo
97	Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>			X											Just 1 seen near Oulu
98	Eurasian Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		Common and widespread
99	Eurasian Jackdaw	<i>Corvus monedula</i>	X	X	X	X										Only seen in Finland
100	Rook	<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>		X	X	X										Only seen in Finland
101	Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		Common and widespread
102	Common Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>				X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		Fairly widespread
	TITS AND CHICKADEES	Paridae														
103	Willow Tit	<i>Poecile montanus</i>							X							Only seen in northern Finland
104	Gray-headed Chickadee	<i>Poecile cinctus</i>							X	X				X		Only seen in the north
105	Eurasian Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>	X		X	X		X								Only seen in Finland
106	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X		X				X		Fairly common throughout
	LARKS	Alaudidae														
107	Eurasian Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>		X		X										Only seen around Oulu
	REED WARBLERS	Acrocephalidae														
108	Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>	X	X	X									X		Displaying birds at Oulu
	SWALLOWS AND MARTINS	Hirundinidae														



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109	Bank Swallow	<i>Riparia riparia</i>		X	X	X										Only seen in Finland
110	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						Common south of the Arctic
111	Common House-Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>			X	X	X	X	X							Common south of the Arctic
	LEAF WARBLERS	Phylloscopidae														
112	Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	X	X	H	H	X	H	H	X	X			X		Very common throughout
113	Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>			H		H	H	H	H	X					Many heard, 1 seen
	SYLVIID WARBLERS	Sylviidae														
114	Garden Warbler	<i>Sylvia borin</i>		X	H											Uncommon.
115	Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Curruca curruca</i>			X											Uncommon.
	KINGLETS	Regulidae														
116	Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>			H		X									One in forest near Oulu
	WRENS	Troglodytidae														
117	Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>						H								Surprisingly, just one heard
	DIPPERS	Cinclidae														
118	White-throated Dipper	<i>Cinclus cinclus</i>						1								One seen in Oulanka NP
	STARLINGS	Sturnidae														
119	European Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>			X											Only seen in Oulu area
	THRUSHES	Turdidae														
120	Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>				X		X								1 on nest near Turpeinen
121	Redwing	<i>Turdus iliacus</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X		Common and widespread
122	Fieldfare	<i>Turdus pilaris</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		Common and widespread
	OLD WORLD FLYCATCHERS AND CHATS	Muscicapidae														
123	Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>	X	X	X	X			X							Only seen in Finland
124	European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>			X											One seen singing near Oulu
125	Bluethroat	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>								X				X		1 in Finland, 1 in Norway
126	Red-flanked Bluetail	<i>Tarsiger cyanurus</i>					H									Only heard near Ruka
127	European Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>		X	X	X	X									Common in Finland



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128	Red-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula parva</i>						2								A rarity: 2 seen in Oulanka NP
129	Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>						X								A fine male in Oulanka NP
130	Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>		X												Only seen in Oulu area
131	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>									X	X	X	X		Only seen in Norway
	WAXWINGS	Bombycillidae														
132	Bohemian Waxwing	<i>Bombycilla garrulus</i>							X	X		X				Some great perched views
	ACCENTORS	Prunellidae														
133	Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>					X									One seen near Ruka
	OLD WORLD SPARROWS	Passeridae														
134	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	X		X				X	X	X	X	X	X		Fairly common throughout
135	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>	X	X	X											Common in Oulu area
	PIPITS AND WAGTAILS	Motacillidae														
136	Western Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>				X										Several near Turpeinen
137	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		Common throughout
138	Gray Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>						1								One seen in Oulanka NP
139	Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>							X	X	X	X		X		Most seen in Norway
140	Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>						X								Two seen in Oulanka NP
141	Red-throated Pipit	<i>Anthus cervinus</i>												X		A fine male seen at Vardø
142	Rock Pipit	<i>Anthus petrosus</i>											X			Several on Hornøya
	FINCHES	Fringillidae														
143	Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>		X	X	X	X	X								Common in Finland
144	Brambling	<i>Fringilla montifringilla</i>				X	X	X	H	X	X			H		Scattered observations
145	Common Rosefinch	<i>Carpodacus erythrinus</i>		X	H											Only seen in Oulu area
146	Pine Grosbeak	<i>Pinicola enucleator</i>								X				X		On feeders at café N of Ivalo
147	Eurasian Bullfinch	<i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i>			X		X	X						X		Scattered observations
148	European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>				X	X	X		X	X	X				Scattered observations
149	Eurasian Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>			X											Only seen in Oulu area



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150	Common Redpoll	<i>Acanthis flammea</i>					X			X						Surprisingly few seen
151	Hoary Redpoll	<i>Acanthis hornemanni</i>								X	X		X	X		Most seen in Norway
152	Red Crossbill	<i>Loxia curvirostra</i>						X								Only seen near Ruka
153	Eurasian Siskin	<i>Spinus pinus</i>				X	X	X		X				X		Fairly common
	LONGSPURS	Calcariidae														
154	Lapland Longspur	<i>Calcarius lapponicus</i>										X				
	OLD WORLD BUNTINGS	Emberizidae														
155	Yellowhammer	<i>Emberiza citrinella</i>		X	X				H							Only seen in Oulu area
156	Reed Bunting	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>	X	X	X											Only seen in Oulu area
157	Little Bunting	<i>Emberiza pusilla</i>					X									One seen in Oulanka NP
	MAMMALS															
1	Brown Hare	<i>Lepus europaeus</i>		X	X											2 seen in Oulu area
2	Eurasian Red Squirrel	<i>Sciurus vulgaris</i>		X	X	X	X	X		X				X		Singles seen on 7 days
3	Red Fox	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>					X									1 on road near Turpeinen
4	Caribou (Reindeer)	<i>Rangifer tarandus</i>					X	X	X	X	X		X	X		Many 'domesticated' animals
5	Western Roe Deer	<i>Capreolus capreolus</i>				X						X				2 seen briefly
6	Moose	<i>Alces alces</i>					1					1				2 seen: 1 Finland, 1 Norway
7	Muskrat	<i>Ondatra zibethicus</i>							1							Seen briefly near Kuusamo



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LOCATIONS AND NOTES:

Day 1: June 4: Oulu Airport Hotel-Kempele Bay.

Day 2: June 5: Kempele Bay-Liminka-Lumijoki-Revonlahti Forest-Oulu hotel.

Day 3: June 6: Kempele Bay-Teppola-Laitasaari-Valkeisjärvi-Oulu Hotel-Vartti Forest.

Day 4: June 7: Oulu hotel-Jolos-Turpeinen (Matti's place)-Rääpyslampi-Ruka.

Day 5: June 8: Ruka-Oivanki Lake-Kuntivaara (border area)-Suolavaara-Ruka.

Day 6: June 9: Ruka-Oulanka NP-Ruka.

Day 7: June 10: Ruka-Suomu-E63-E75-Kaunispää mountain-Ivalo.

Day 8: June 11: Ivalo-NTT (Four winds cafe)-Utsjoki-Norway-River Tana-Hoyholmen-Batsfjord.

Day 9: June 12: Batsfjord-Gednje-Kongsfjord-Batsfjord.

Day 10: June 13: Batsfjord-Gednje-Tana River-Nesseby-E75 along Varangerfjord-Vardø.

Day 11: June 14: Vardø harbour-Hornøya Island-Hamningberg-Vardø.



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Day 12: June 15: Vardø island-Varanagerfjord-Norway-Finland-Utsjoki-Kaamanen-Ivalo.

Day 13: June 16: Ivalo Hotel to Ivalo Airport.
