



# Birds of the Granite Belt

This list has been compiled by Glen Holmes © based on observations dating back to 2007 to present day.

Status Key: R = resident, V = visitor, SV = summer visitor only (encompassing spring, summer and autumn)

Abundance Key: S = scarce, MC = moderately common, A = abundant

Other Key: \*\* = naturalised exotic species

Family	Genus and Species	English Name	Status	Abundance
ACANTHIZIDAE	<i>Sericornis frontalis</i>	White-browed Scrubwren	R	A
	<i>Chthonicola sagittata</i>	Speckled Warbler	R	MC
	<i>Hylacola pyrrhopygia</i>	Chestnut-rumped Heathwren	R	S
	<i>Acanthiza pusilla</i>	Brown Thornbill	R	A
	<i>Acanthiza apicalis</i>	Inland Thornbill	R	S
	<i>Acanthiza reguloides</i>	Buff-rumped Thornbill	R	A
	<i>Acanthiza chrysorrhoa</i>	Yellow-rumped Thornbill	R	A
	<i>Acanthiza nana</i>	Yellow Thornbill	R	A
	<i>Acanthiza lineata</i>	Striated Thornbill	R	A
	<i>Smicronis brevirostris</i>	Weebill	R	A
	<i>Gerygone albogularis</i>	White-throated Gerygone	SV	MC
	<i>Gerygone fusca</i>	Western Gerygone	SV ?	S
	<i>Aphelocephala leucopsis</i>	Southern Whiteface	R	S
	ACCIPITRIDAE	<i>Aviceda subcristata</i>	Pacific Baza	SV ?
<i>Elanus axillaris</i>		Black-shouldered Kite	V	S
<i>Haliastur sphenurus</i>		Whistling Kite	R	S
<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>		White-bellied Sea-Eagle	R	S
<i>Circus assimilis</i>		Spotted Harrier	V	S
<i>Accipiter novaehollandiae</i>		Grey Goshawk	R ?	S
<i>Accipiter fasciatus</i>		Brown Goshawk	R	MC
<i>Accipiter cirrocephalus</i>		Collared Sparrowhawk	R	S
<i>Aquila audax</i>		Wedge-tailed Eagle	R	MC
<i>Hieraetus morphnoides</i>		Little Eagle	R	MC
ACROCEPHALIDAE	<i>Acrocephalus australis</i>	Australian Reed-Warbler	SV	MC
AEGOTHELIDAE	<i>Aegotheles cristatus</i>	Australian Owlet-nightjar	R	MC
ALAUDIDAE	<i>Mirafra javanica</i>	Horsfield's Bushlark	SV	S
ALCEDINIDAE	<i>Ceyx azureus</i>	Azure Kingfisher	R	S
ANATIDAE	<i>Dendrocygna eytoni</i>	Plumed Whistling-Duck	V	S
	<i>Oxyura australis</i>	Blue-billed Duck	R	S

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ANATIDAE ( <i>cont'd</i> )	<i>Biziura lobata</i>	Musk Duck	R	S
	<i>Cygnus atratus</i>	Black Swan	R	MC
	<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Australian Wood Duck	R	A
	<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Pacific Black Duck	R	A
	<i>Anas rhynchotis</i>	Australasian Shoveler	R ?	MC
	<i>Anas gracilis</i>	Grey Teal	R, V	MC
	<i>Malacorhynchus membranaceus</i>	Pink-eared Duck	V	S
	<i>Aythya australis</i>	Hardhead	V	MC
ANHINGIDAE	<i>Anhinga novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Darter	R, V	MC
APODIDAE	<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>	White-throated Needletail	SV	S
ARDEIDAE	<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	White-faced Heron	R	MC
	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	Little Egret	V	S
	<i>Ardea pacifica</i>	White-necked Heron	V	MC
	<i>Ardea modesta</i>	Eastern Great Egret	V	S
	<i>Ardea intermedia</i>	Intermediate Egret	V	S
	<i>Ardea coromanda</i>	Eastern Cattle Egret	SV	S
	<i>Nycticorax caledonicus</i>	Nankeen Night-Heron	SV	S
ARTAMIDAE	<i>Cracticus torquatus</i>	Grey Butcherbird	R	A
	<i>Cracticus nigrogularis</i>	Pied Butcherbird	R	A
	<i>Cracticus tibicen</i>	Australian Magpie	R	A
	<i>Strepera graculina</i>	Pied Currawong	R	A
		White-breasted		
	<i>Artamus leucorhynchus</i>	Woodswallow	SV	S
	<i>Artamus personatus</i>	Masked Woodswallow	SV	S
	<i>Artamus superciliosus</i>	White-browed Woodswallow	SV	S
	<i>Artamus cyanopterus</i>	Dusky Woodswallow	SV	MC
<i>Artamus minor</i>	Little Woodswallow	SV	S	
CACATUIDAE		Yellow-tailed Black-		
	<i>Calyptorhynchus funereus</i>	Cockatoo	R	MC
	<i>Calyptorhynchus lathami</i>	Glossy Black-Cockatoo	R	S
	<i>Eolophus roseicapillus</i>	Galah	R	A
	<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	R ?	S
	<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	Little Corella	V	S / MC
<i>Nymphicus hollandicus</i>	Cockatiel	V	S	
CAMPEPHAGIDAE	<i>Coracina maxima</i>	Ground Cuckooshrike	R ?	S
	<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>	Black-faced Cuckooshrike	R ?	A
	<i>Coracina papuensis</i>	White-bellied Cuckooshrike	SV	S
	<i>Coracina tenuirostris</i>	Southern Cicadabird	SV	MC
	<i>Lalage sueurii</i>	White-winged Triller	SV	MC
CASUARIIDAE	<i>Dromaius novaehollandiae</i>	Emu	R	S

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CHARADRIIDAE	<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>	Pacific Golden-Plover	SV	S
	<i>Erythrogonys cinctus</i>	Red-kneed Dotterel	V	S
	<i>Euseyornis melanops</i>	Black-fronted Dotterel	R, V	MC
	<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Masked Lapwing	R	A
CISTICOLIDAE	<i>Cisticola exilis</i>	Golden-headed Cisticola	R	MC
CLIMACTERIDAE	<i>Cormobates leucophaea</i>	White-throated Treecreeper	R	A
	<i>Climacteris erythroptera</i>	Red-browed Treecreeper	R	MC
	<i>Climacteris picumnus</i>	Brown Treecreeper	R	MC
COLUMBIDAE	<i>**Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Spotted Dove	R	S
	<i>Phaps chalcoptera</i>	Common Bronzewing	R	A
	<i>Geophaps lophotes</i>	Crested Pigeon	R	A
	<i>Geophaps scripta</i>	Squatter Pigeon	R ?	S
	<i>Geopelia tranquilla</i>	Peaceful Dove	R	MC
	<i>Geopelia humeralis</i>	Bar-shouldered Dove	R	MC
	<i>Leucosarcia melanoleuca</i>	Wonga Pigeon	R	S
CORACIIDAE	<i>Eurystomus orientalis</i>	Dollarbird	SV	MC
CORCORACIDAE	<i>Corcorax melanorhamphos</i>	White-winged Chough	R	MC
	<i>Struthidea cinerea</i>	Apostlebird	R	MC
CORVIDAE	<i>Corvus orru</i>	Torresian Crow	R	A
	<i>Corvus coronoides</i>	Australian Raven	R	A
CUCULIDAE	<i>Cacomantis pallidus</i>	Pallid Cuckoo	SV ?	S
	<i>Cacomantis variolosus</i>	Brush Cuckoo	SV	S
	<i>Cacomantis flabelliformis</i>	Fan-tailed Cuckoo	R ?	MC
	<i>Chalcites lucidus</i>	Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	SV	S
	<i>Chalcites basalus</i>	Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo	SV	S
	<i>Chalcites osculans</i>	Black-eared Cuckoo	SV	S
	<i>Eudynamys orientalis</i>	Eastern Koel	SV	S
	<i>Scythrops novaehollandiae</i>	Channel-billed Cuckoo	SV	S
DICRURIDAE	<i>Dicrurus bracteatus</i>	Spangled Drongo	SV ?	S
ESTRILDIDAE	<i>Stagonopleura guttata</i>	Diamond Firetail	R	MC
	<i>Neochmia temporalis</i>	Red-browed Finch	R	MC
	<i>Neochmia modesta</i>	Plum-headed Finch	V	MC
	<i>Taeniopygia bichenovii</i>	Double-barred Finch	R	A
	<i>Lonchura castaneothorax</i>	Chestnut-breasted Mannikin	SV	S
EUROSTOPODIDAE	<i>Eurostopodus mystacalis</i>	White-throated Nightjar	SV	S
FALCONIDAE	<i>Falco berigora</i>	Brown Falcon	V	S
	<i>Falco cenchroides</i>	Australian Kestrel	R ?	MC

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FALCONIDAE ( <i>cont'd</i> )	<i>Falco longipennis</i>	Australian Hobby	R	S
	<i>Falco subniger</i>	Black Falcon	V	S
	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine Falcon	R	S
FRINGILLIDAE	<i>**Carduelis carduelis</i>	European Goldfinch	R ?	S
HALCYONIDAE	<i>Dacelo novaeguineae</i>	Laughing Kookaburra	R	MC
	<i>Todiramphus pyrrhopygius</i>	Red-backed Kingfisher	V	S
	<i>Todiramphus sanctus</i>	Sacred Kingfisher	SV	MC
HIRUNDINIDAE	<i>Cheramoeca leucosterna</i>	White-backed Swallow	R ?	S
	<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	Welcome Swallow	R	A
	<i>Petrochelidon nigricans</i>	Tree Martin	SV ?	MC
	<i>Petrochelidon ariel</i>	Fairy Martin	SV	MC
JACANIDAE	<i>Irediparra gallinacea</i>	Comb-crested Jacana	V	S
LARIDAE	<i>Chroicocephalus novaehollandiae</i>	Silver Gull	R ?	S
	<i>Chlidonias hybridus</i>	Whiskered Tern	V	S
MALURIDAE	<i>Malurus cyaneus</i>	Superb Fairywren	R	A
	<i>Malurus lamberti</i>	Variiegated Fairywren	R	MC
MEGALURIDAE	<i>Megalurus timoriensis</i>	Tawny Grassbird	V	S
	<i>Megalurus gramineus</i>	Little Grassbird	R	S
	<i>Cincloramphus cruralis</i>	Brown Songlark	V	S
	<i>Cincloramphus mathewsi</i>	Rufous Songlark	SV	A
MEGAPODIIDAE	<i>Alectura lathamii</i>	Australian Brush-turkey	R	S
MELIPHAGIDAE	<i>Myzomela sanguinolenta</i>	Scarlet Honeyeater	V	S
	<i>Lichmera indistincta</i>	Brown Honeyeater	R ?	MC
	<i>Lichenostomus chrysops</i>	Yellow-faced Honeyeater	R	A
	<i>Lichenostomus leucotis</i>	White-eared Honeyeater	R	A
	<i>Lichenostomus melanops</i>	Yellow-tufted Honeyeater	R	A
	<i>Lichenostomus fuscus</i>	Fuscous Honeyeater	R	A
	<i>Lichenostomus penicillatus</i>	White-plumed Honeyeater	R	A
	<i>Melithreptus lunatus</i>	White-naped Honeyeater	R	A
	<i>Melithreptus gularis</i>	Black-chinned Honeyeater	R	S
	<i>Melithreptus brevirostris</i>	Brown-headed Honeyeater	R	MC
	<i>Philemon citreogularis</i>	Little Friarbird	R, V	MC
	<i>Philemon corniculatus</i>	Noisy Friarbird	R, V	A
	<i>Phylidonyris novaehollandiae</i>	New Holland Honeyeater	R	MC
	<i>Plectorhyncha lanceolata</i>	Striped Honeyeater	R	MC
	<i>Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris</i>	Eastern Spinebill	R	MC
	<i>Entomyzon cyanotis</i>	Blue-faced Honeyeater	R	MC
	<i>Manorina melanocephala</i>	Noisy Miner	R	A

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MELIPHAGIDAE ( <i>cont'd</i> )	<i>Manorina flavigula</i>	Yellow-throated Miner	V	S
	<i>Acanthagenys rufogularis</i>	Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater	R ?	MC
	<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>	Red Wattlebird	R	MC
MENURIDAE	<i>Menura novaehollandiae</i>	Superb Lyrebird	R	MC
MEROPIDAE	<i>Merops ornatus</i>	Rainbow Bee-eater	SV	S
MONARCHIDAE	<i>Myiagra rubecula</i>	Leaden Flycatcher	SV	MC
	<i>Myiagra cyanoleuca</i>	Satin Flycatcher	SV	S
	<i>Myiagra inquieta</i>	Restless Flycatcher	R	MC
	<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>	Magpie-lark	R	A
MOTACILLIDAE	<i>Anthus australis</i>	Australian Pipit	R ?	MC
NECTARINIIDAE	<i>Dicaeum hirundinaceum</i>	Mistletoebird	R	MC
NEOSITTIDAE	<i>Daphoenositta chrysoptera</i>	Varied Sittella	R	MC
ORIOOLIDAE	<i>Oriolus sagittatus</i>	Olive-backed Oriole	V	MC
	<i>Sphecotheres vielloti</i>	Australasian Figbird	V	S
PACHYCEPHALIDAE	<i>Falcunculus frontatus</i>	Crested Shrike-tit	R	MC
	<i>Pachycephala pectoralis</i>	Golden Whistler	R ?	MC
	<i>Pachycephala rufiventris</i>	Rufous Whistler	SV	A
	<i>Colluricincla harmonica</i>	Grey Shrike-thrush	R	A
PARDALOTIDAE	<i>Pardalotus punctatus</i>	Spotted Pardalote	R	A
	<i>Pardalotus striatus</i>	Striated Pardalote	R	A
PASSERIDAE	<b>**</b> <i>Passer domesticus</i>	House Sparrow	R	A
PELECANIDAE	<i>Pelecanus conspicillatus</i>	Australian Pelican	V	S / MC
PETROICIDAE	<i>Microeca fascinans</i>	Jacky-winter	R	A
	<i>Petroica boodang</i>	Scarlet Robin	R	MC
	<i>Petroica goodenovii</i>	Red-capped Robin	R	S
	<i>Petroica phoenicea</i>	Flame Robin	R ?	S
	<i>Petroica rosea</i>	Rose Robin	V	S
	<i>Melanodryas cucullata</i>	Hooded Robin	R	MC
	<i>Eopsaltria australis</i>	Eastern Yellow Robin	R	A
PHALACROCORACIDAE	<i>Microcarbo melanoleucos</i>	Little Pied Cormorant	R	A
	<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>	Pied Cormorant	V	MC
	<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	Little Black Cormorant	V	MC
	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	Great Cormorant	V	S
PHASIANIDAE	<i>Coturnix pectoralis</i>	Stubble Quail	SV	S

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PHASIANIDAE ( <i>cont'd</i> )	<i>Coturnix ypsilophora</i>	Brown Quail	R ?	MC
PODARGIDAE	<i>Podargus strigoides</i>	Tawny Frogmouth	R	MC
PODICIPEDIDAE	<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Australasian Grebe	R	A
	<i>Poliiocephalus poliocephalus</i>	Hoary-headed Grebe	V	S
	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>	Great Crested Grebe	R	MC
POMATOSTOMIDAE	<i>Pomatostomus temporalis</i>	Grey-crowned Babbler	R	MC
	<i>Pomatostomus superciliosus</i>	White-browed Babbler	R	MC
PSITTACIDAE	<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Rainbow Lorikeet	R ?	MC
	<i>Trichoglossus chlorolepidotus</i>	Scaly-breasted Lorikeet	R ?	MC
	<i>Glossopsitta concinna</i>	Musk Lorikeet	V	MC
	<i>Glossopsitta pusilla</i>	Little Lorikeet	R ?	MC
	<i>Alisterus scapularis</i>	Australian King-Parrot	R	MC
	<i>Aprosmictus erythropterus</i>	Red-winged Parrot	R	MC
	<i>Platycercus elegans</i>	Crimson Rosella	R	A
	<i>Platycercus eximius</i>	Eastern Rosella	R	A
	<i>Platycercus adscitus</i>	Pale-headed Rosella	R	MC
	<i>Psephotus haematonotus</i>	Red-rumped Parrot	R	A
<i>Neophema pulchella</i>	Turquoise Parrot	R	MC	
PSOPHODIDAE	<i>Psophodes olivaceus</i>	Eastern Whipbird	R	S
	<i>Cinclosoma punctatum</i>	Spotted Quail-thrush	R	MC
PTILONORHYNCHIDAE	<i>Ptilonorhynchus violaceus</i>	Satin Bowerbird	R	MC
	<i>Ptilonorhynchus maculatus</i>	Spotted Bowerbird	R ?	S
RALLIDAE	<i>Gallirallus philippensis</i>	Buff-banded Rail	SV ?	S
	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Purple Swampphen	R	S
	<i>Gallinula tenebrosa</i>	Dusky Moorhen	R	MC
	<i>Gallinula ventralis</i>	Black-tailed Native-hen	SV ?	S
	<i>Fulica australis</i>	Australian Coot	R, V	A
RECURVIROSTRIDAE	<i>Himantopus leucocephalus</i>	White-headed Stilt	V	S
RHIPIDURIDAE	<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Willie-wagtail	R	A
	<i>Rhipidura albiscapa</i>	Grey Fantail	R	A
	<i>Rhipidura rufifrons</i>	Rufous Fantail	SV	S
ROSTRATULIDAE	<i>Rostratula australis</i>	Australian Painted-snipe	V	S
SCOLOPACIDAE	<i>Gallinago hardwickii</i>	Latham's Snipe	SV	MC
	<i>Calidris acuminata</i>	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	SV	S
STRIGIDAE	<i>Ninox strenua</i>	Powerful Owl	R	S
	<i>Ninox connivens</i>	Barking Owl	R	S

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STRIGIDAE ( <i>cont'd</i> )	<i>Ninox novaeseelandiae</i> (boobook)	Southern Boobook	R	S
STURNIDAE	** <i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Common Starling	R	A
	** <i>Sturnus tristis</i>	Common Myna	SV	S
THRESKIORNITHIDAE	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	Glossy Ibis	SV	S
	<i>Threskiornis molucca</i>	Australian White Ibis	V	MC
	<i>Threskiornis spinicollis</i>	Straw-necked Ibis	V	A
	<i>Platalea regia</i>	Royal Spoonbill	V	S
	<i>Platalea flavipes</i>	Yellow-billed Spoonbill	V	S
TIMALIIDAE	<i>Zosterops lateralis</i>	Silvereye	R	A
TURDIDAE	** <i>Turdus merula</i>	Eurasian Blackbird	R	MC
TURNICIDAE	<i>Turnix varia</i>	Painted Buttonquail	R	MC
	<i>Turnix pyrrhothorax</i>	Red-chested Buttonquail	V	S
	<i>Turnix velox</i>	Little Buttonquail	V	S
TYTONIDAE	<i>Tyto javanica</i>	Eastern Barn Owl	V	S

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