Armenia - Spring Birds and Flowers

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Bezoar's Goat - Clive Picton



Astragalus goktschiacus by Paul Harmes



Gladiolus caucasicus by Paul Harmes



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Day 1

Saturday 3rd June

Fly Heathrow to Moscow & Yerevan

Seven group members met with Paul at Heathrow Terminal 4 for the Aeroflot Flight SU2579 to Moscow Sheremetyevo Airport, where we saw a Common Kestrel before we transferred to Aeroflot flight SU1868 to Yerevan. We arrived at Yerevan Zvartsnots Airport where, after changing money and collecting our luggage, we met with Hasmik, our local leader, and Edik, our driver for the week. We transferred to our bus for the short journey through the Armenian capital to the Minotel Barsam Suites, our base for the first two nights of the tour. After rooms had been allocated, we retired for the night.

Day 2

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Sunday 4th June

Mount Aragats

At 9.30am, following breakfast, we left the hotel and were on our way north-westwards towards Mount Aragats. Along the way we recorded Rosy Starling, Eurasian Magpie, Little Egret and numerous Common Swifts. Our first stop today was in an area of semi-degraded steppe above Byurakan, about a 40-minute drive from Yerevan. Here the botanists had an introduction to some of the characteristic steppe plants. These included *Onosma microcarpum* (a Golden Drops), *Thymus kotchyanus, Alkanna orientalis* (Yellow Alkanet) and *Cerinthe minor* (Lesser Honeywort), whilst the birders recorded Crested Lark, Western Rock Nuthatch, Northern and Black-eared Wheatears, Woodlark and Ortolan Bunting. Butterflies included Cardinal Fritillary, Large White and Adonis Blue. As we moved a little higher, we passed *Quercus petraea* subsp. *iberica* (Georgian Oak) and *Veronica multifida* (a Speedwell). We made a second stop as we ascended into the foothills, where a 30-minute pause in an area of mountain steppe produced views of White-throated Robin, Ring Ouzel, Common Whitethroat and Red-backed Shrike. For the botanists there were *Ornithogalum transcaucasicum* (a Star of Bethlehem), *Ajuga orientale* (Oriental Bugle) and *Pulsatilla albana*.

We now made the 20-minute drive to Amberd where we took our picnic in boulder-strewn grassland. Red-billed Chough, Griffon Vulture, Common House Martin, Barn Swallow and Common Swift were all seen as we ate. We now took the opportunity to visit the seventh century church and fortress whilst we were there. Here we found the rare *Allium tripedale, Valeriana leucophaea, Scrophularia chrysantha* (Golden Figwort) and *Isatis tinctoria* (Woad). We had superb views of Black-headed Bunting, and Clouded Apollo, Berger's Clouded Yellow and Large White butterflies were also recorded.

Most of our remaining time on Mt. Aragats was devoted to exploring the alpine zone where a fair amount of snow remained. The botanists enjoyed *Gagea glacialis* (Glacier Yellow Star of Bethlehem), *Scilla siberica* subsp. *armena, Pulsatilla albana, Colchicum raddianum* (a Crocus) and *Puschkinia scilloides* (Puschkinia). Birds included Horned Lark, Water Pipit, Alpine Accentor, Black Redstart and White-winged Snowfinch. We also had great views of Bearded Vulture.

Our final stop of the day was in the sub-alpine zone, where the birders found Radde's Accentor. Common Rock Thrush and Red-backed Shrike. The botanists added *Primula veris* subsp. *macrocalyx* (a Cowslip), *Solenanthus stamineus* and *Cruciata laevipes* (Crosswort).

It was now time to return to the hotel to freshen up, before visiting a nearby restaurant for dinner.

Day 3 Monday 5th June

Armash Fishponds - Noravank Gorge & Yeghegnadzor:

After breakfast we left the hotel at 9am, heading for Armash, which is on the Turkish border, an hour or so south-east of Yerevan. We drove south on the M2, passing through Artashat and Avshar. A few White Storks, some on nests, Hoopoe and Lesser Grey Shrike were seen along the way. We also made one brief stop to photograph Mount Ararat.

On arrival at the Armash Fishponds Black-crowned Night Heron and European Roller were spotted. After entering the site, we drove past two large buildings and parked between two of the lakes, on a dyke. Early sightings were Black-winged Stilt, Slender-billed Gull, Grey, Squacco and Purple Heron, Glossy Ibis and Greater Flamingo, which all showed well. Setting off from the bus, we walked the tracks beside two large ponds. In the marginal reeds, Bearded Reedling, Penduline Tit, European Reed Warbler and Great Reed Warbler were active, and Cetti's Warblers were calling. As we reached an area of grassland, European Roller was seen, together with two Black-headed Yellow Wagtails. On the open water we saw Ferruginous Duck and Red-crested Pochard. Eurasian Coot and a good number of Pygmy Cormorants were also present. For the botanists this was a fascinating, inland, saline habitat. Many of the plants found here were some 1,000 miles from the nearest coast. *Chenopodium glaucum* (Oak-leaved Goosefoot), *Lepidium latifolium* (Dittander), *Cynodon dactylon* (Bermuda Grass), *Shaerophysa salsula* (Red Bladder-vetch) and *Suaeda maritima* (Sea-blite) were all recorded, as well as Black-tailed Skimmer, and Red-veined Darter dragonflies.

We now made our way back to the vehicle for the short journey to the lunch stop, on the south side of the site. As we went, we added White-tailed Lapwing and Common Kingfisher. We took our picnic lunch under the shade of a solitary *Elaeagnus angustifolia* (Russian Olive). After eating, it was time to move on. Having left the fish ponds, we stopped for ice cream before continuing our journey eastwards through Sevakanan, on our way north.

Our next stop was at the head of the Noravank Gorge, where we parked up in a prolonged, heavy, local shower. In the area around the ancient churches we found a pair of Western Rock Nuthatches feeding young, Common Linnet, Goldfinch, Northern and Black-eared Wheatear, Red-billed Chough and had a fleeting glimpse of Golden Eagle. The rocky slopes and a good show of *Eremostachys molucelloides* and *Pistacia atlantica* (Mount Atlas Mastic Tree).

From here, it was only about 10 kilometres to our Homestay accommodation in Yeghednazor, where we arrived just after 5pm, to the song of Eurasian Golden Oriole and Common Nightingale, and to be met by Gohar, our host.

Day 4

Tuesday 6th June

Mount Gndasar - Gnishik

Golden Oriole was heard this morning as we were getting up, to be on our way at 5am. We travelled in 4x4 vehicles towards the village of Hors, where we left the public roads and started to climb on mountain tracks, in the direction of Mount Gndasar. We made steady progress to the first stopping point, recording Common Whitethroat and Black-headed Bunting as we climbed. We began scanning for Caspian Snowcock, but these elusive birds remained hidden. However, we did locate three distant Brown Bears: one solitary adult and one adult with a cub. Among the birds were Ring Ouzel, Common Buzzard and Rock Bunting. Plants seen included *Onosma tenuiflora, Eremurus spectabilis* (Yellow Foxtail Lily), *Orchis palustris*, Rumex alpinus (Monk's Rhubarb) and Lallemantia iberica. As the sun rose, insects became more obvious, and Scarce Swallowtail, Eastern Dappled White, Orange Tip and Clouded Apollo were all noted.

We now moved to a second location, in a col, and began to scan once more for the Snowcock. We soon added Golden Eagle, Chukar Partridge, Red-backed Shrike, Common Cuckoo and Tree Pipit, but, sadly, we could not locate the Caspian Snowcock. Around our feet we found *Eremogone (Arenaria) dianthoides* (a Sandwort), *Geranium tuberosum* (Tuberous Crane's-bill), *Eremogone gypsophiloides* and *Silene spergulifolia* (a Catchfly).

It was now time to move back down the mountain, stopping on the descent to admire a fine stand of *Gladiolus caucasicus* (Caucasian Gladiolus) and, growing with it, *Echium russicum* (Red Bugloss) and *Lathyrus miniatus* (a Red Pea). Additional insects included Dingy Skipper, Green-underside Blue, Oberthur's Grizzled Skipper, Small White and Heath Fritillary for the butterflies, and Black-veined, Chimney Sweeper and Burnet Companion moths. We now re-joined our vehicles for the journey back to base. As we were moving down the mountain, one of our drivers spotted another Bear. This time it was a solitary juvenile, probably only recently parted from its mother.

Upon our return to our accommodation, we took lunch, before joining Edik and our own bus for an afternoon excursion. Our final destination today was among the high, rolling meadows and rocky gorges at Gnishik, south of Yeghednadzor. Here we left our vehicle at the top of the quiet valley and began to walk down. Skylark, Black-headed Bunting, Common Whitethroat and European Bee-eater and Black-eared Wheatear were early finds for the birders. The botanists explored the open meadows and verges, finding the endemic *Onobrychis cornuta* (a Sainfoin), *Astragalus fragrans*, *Gladiolus atroviolaceus*, *Onobrychis radiata*, *Achillea arabica* (Bieberstein's Millfoil), *Rosa hemisphaerica* and *Hypericum scabrum* (a St. John's-wort). Lower down, European Stonechat and Blue Rock Thrush were added, Common Quail was singing, and we had distant views of Long-legged Buzzard. Butterflies included Black-veined White, Adonis Blue, Cardinal Fritillary, Queen of Spain Fritillary and Clouded Yellow. It was then time to return to Yeghednadzor to freshen up before going out to dinner.

Day 5

Wednesday 7th June

Selim Pass & Plateau - Shore of Lake Sevan

After breakfast, we left the Homestay accommodation, bidding farewell to Gohar, and were soon on our way northwards towards the Selim Pass and plateau. Along the way we saw White Wagtail, Hoopoe and Black-eared Wheatear.

Our first stop was on the twisting road that leads to the Selim Pass, at the Caravanserai, the resting place of travellers on the Silk Road in medieval times. While here we found Hoopoe, Whinchat, Crag Martin, Common Rosefinch, and Rock Sparrow. Meanwhile, along the roadside, there were *Symphytum asperum* (Rough Comfrey), *Cerastium purpurescens, Alchemilla glabra* (Smooth Lady's-mantle) and *Tragopogon reticulatus* (a Goat's-beard). As we were about to leave, a Long-legged Buzzard was spotted, circling.

Moving on, we soon reached the wide Selim Plateau, an extensive area of wet meadows and streams which produced *Pedicularis condensata* (Condensed Lousewort) and *Pedicularis wilhelmsiana* (Wilhelm's Lousewort), *Veronica gentianoides* (Gentian-like Speedwell), *Caltha palustris* (Marsh Marigold), *Primula auriculata* (a Bird's-eye Primrose) and large numbers of *Dactylorhiza umbrosa* (a Marsh Orchid). For the birders, there was Common Rosefinch, Common Sandpiper, Bluethroat, Black-headed Yellow Wagtails (*feldegg* race), and Common Whitethroat.

We now descended to the shores of Lake Sevan, near Lichk, where we spent some time in marginal reclaimed grassland, scrub and woodland. Before setting off to explore, we took lunch by the river where we heard Cetti's Warbler and Mountain Chiffchaff. After lunch we set off towards a small lake. As we progressed, we saw *Lappula squarrosa* (Bur Forget-me-not), *Cynoglossum officinale* (Common Hound'stongue), *Nonea armeniaca* and *Buglossoides arvensis* (Corn Gromwell). Here, the birds included Little Grebe, Western Marsh Harrier, Grey Heron, Eurasian Coot and Gadwall. However, the spectacle of the day was a cloud of some hundreds of Sand Martins in the air and at their nest holes in a sandy bank.

Our final stop was at 'Gull island', on Lake Sevan near to the village of Norashen. Here we got our first real opportunity to study Armenian Gull at fairly close quarters, and good scoped views were had by all. We also recorded Great Crested Grebe, Western Cattle Egret, Black-crowned Night Heron, Little Egret, Great Cormorant, Glossy Ibis and Ruddy Shelduck.

The final leg of our journey to Dilijan took just under an hour, before we arrived at the rather grand Dilijan Resort Hotel. After checking in, we retired to freshen up before dinner.

Day 6

Thursday 8th June

Parz Lich Forest - Haghartsin Forest & the Sevan Pass

An early bird walk, around the hotel grounds, produced Robin, Green Warbler and Middle Spotted Woodpecker.

After breakfast at 8am, we were ready to leave by 9am for the 15-minute drive to an area of broadleaf woodland at Parz Lich, where the forest produced Fagus orientalis (Oriental Beech), Quercus macranthera (Caucasian Oak) and Zelkova (Ulmus) carpinifolia (Caucasian Elm). As we left our vehicle, we immediately found Eurasian Nuthatch, Eurasian Treecreeper and a Song Thrush was singing. Further on up the track, the woodland had Coal Tit, Common Chaffinch and Great Tit for the birders, and for the botanists, Dactylorhiza urvilleana, Bunias orientalis (Warty Cabbage), Hesperis matronalis (Dame's Violet), Cardamine impatiens (Cut-leaved Bitter-cress), Cephalanthera damasonium (White Helleborine), Neottia nidus-avis (Bird'snest Orchid) and the curious Rhynchocorys orientalis.

Moving on, we made the short journey to the wooded valley of Haghartsin and spent time exploring the woodland there. Bird sightings included Red-breasted Flycatcher, Great Spotted Woodpecker, and Spotted Flycatcher. The botanists added a number of Orchid species, including emerging *Cephalanthera rubra* (Red Helleborine) and *Platanthera bifolia* (Lesser Butterfly Orchid). Within the forest, there were a number of picnic shelters, so we took our picnic lunch here.

As we finished lunch, it began to rain, so we made the short hop to the Haghartsin Church, which group members took time to visit. Plants by the roadside included more of the *Rhynchocorys orientalis*, *Gypsophila elegans* (Gypsophila), and *Heracleum mantagazzianum* (Giant Hogweed).

As it had now stopped raining, we now made our way into Dilijan for ice cream, before we moved on to the sub-alpine zone of the Sevan Pass where the whole group set off into the flower-rich meadows, near the village of Semyonovka. The wonderful meadows produced *Anemone narcissiflora* subsp. *fasciculata*, *Veronica gentianoides* (Gentian-like Speedwell) and *Pedicularis condensata* (Condensed Lousewort). Here, we also recorded Green-veined White; the birders had Lesser Spotted Eagle, Long-legged Buzzard, Corn Bunting, Common Rosefinch and they heard Common Quail and Corncrake. A second stop on a sunny bank added Pearl-bordered Fritillary, Woodland Ringlet and Dingy Skipper as well as Armenian Rock Lizards.

We now returned to the hotel in time for dinner.

Day 7 Friday 9th June

Pambak Mountain Ridge – Travel to Yeravan

All of the group members joined Hasmik and Paul on an early morning excursion to try to see Caucasian Grouse. We left the hotel, following at 5am in 4x4 vehicles, to make the journey to an isolated mountain top west of Dilijan. The track up this remote mountain was very uneven and stony. After an hour and a half we arrived just below the summit, c.2,600 metres above sea level, in low cloud. Scanning of the mountainside for the Caucasian Grouse proved rather difficult! However, Common Rosefinch, Water Pipit, and Northern Wheatear, were found. For the botanists, the highlights were *Rhododendron caucasicum* (Caucasian Rhododendron), *Fritillaria collina*, *Gentiana pyrenaica* (Pyrenean Gentian) and *Primula ruprechtii* (Ruprecht's Primrose) among many many more. At this point, we took our packed breakfast, before moving higher, in an attempt to get above the low cloud. This proved to be a good decision, as the top of the ridge was in bright sunshine, although unfortunately, we were still not able to locate any Grouse. We

did add Rosy Starling, Armenian Gull and Common Whitethroat, while additional plants included *Pedicularis armena* (Armenian Lousewort), *Gentiana aquatica* and *Primula algida*.

We then headed back down the mountain, passing herders and their cattle on the high grazing pastures. A brief pause on the downward journey added *Corallorhiza trifida* (Coralroot Orchid) and *Gymnadenia conopsea* (Fragrant Orchid), as well as good views of Mountain Chiffchaff. We made our way back to Dilijan to collect our luggage and started the journey back to Yerevan, having our picnic lunch in the hotel grounds, before we set off.

On the return journey, we stopped at a dry gorge near the village of Bjni. Here the birders found Common Rock Thrush, Booted Eagle, Rock Bunting, Ortalan Bunting, Crag Martin and Common Rosefinch. Plants included *Hypericum scabrum*, (Rough St. John's-wort), *Lappula squarrosa* (Bur Forget-menot), *Marrubium vulgare* (White Horehound), *Onobrychis cornuta* and two scarce endemics, *Astragalus goktschiacus* and *Campanula caucasica* (Caucasian Bellflower). Queen of Spain Fritillary, Eastern Wood White, Large White and Adonis Blue butterflies, together with Churchyard Beetle and Roesel's Bush-cricket, were also seen.

We arrived at the Minotel Hotel in good time to freshen up before going out to dinner at a local restaurant.

Day 8

Saturday 10th June

Near Hatsavan - Garni

After breakfast, we set off south-eastwards towards Garni, tuning right after about 40 minutes, in the direction of Artashat. We stopped in the vicinity of Hatsavan, an area of semi-desert in the direction of the Azet Reservoir. As we approached our destination, a solitary Long-legged Buzzard and several Isabelline Wheatears were spotted. We made a short stop on the quiet roadside, adding Rosy Starling, Crested Lark and a distant Female Finsch's Wheatear. The verges and adjacent dry fields produced Onopordum armenum (Armenian Cotton Thistle) Capparis spinosa (Caper) and Glaucium elegans.

Moving a little further on, we left our vehicle to explore the track alongside some new fruit tree plantations, we came upon a good number of *Centaurea moschata* (Sweet Sultan), *Glaucium elegans*, *Lappula squarrosa* (Bur Forget-me-not), *Senecio caucasica* (Caucasian Ragwort), *Caccinia macranthera* and *Consolida divaricata* (a Larkspur). Meanwhile, the birders found Isabelline Wheatear and Black-eared Wheatears as well. Added to these were Rufous Bush Robin, Upcher's Warbler, and Pale Rockfinch. Butterflies included Powdered Brimstone, Cardinal Fritillary, Common Blue, Eastern Marbled White and Eastern Dappled White.

A short final stop in this desert landscape produced some distant views of Finsch's Wheatear.

It was now time to make our way into the small town of Garni, where lunch was taken in a local restaurant. On our arrival, we watched a demonstration of how the local flat-bread, 'Lavash', was prepared and cooked in a floor oven. We then had the opportunity to taste it with herbs and cheese, and

all agreed it was very good. After a delicious lunch of salad and barbecued fish, we re-joined our vehicle for the short drive to visit to the last remaining example of a Pagan Temple in Armenia, this one dedicated to the god Mihr. Whilst there, we recorded Levant Sparrowhawk, Common Kestrel, Alpine Swift and Common House Martin. In addition, there were a good number of Cardinal Fritillaries.

We now began to make the return journey to Yerevan. Along the way we stopped for photographs, and also recorded Black-headed Bunting and European Roller, as well as *Chardinia orientalis, Cirsium congestum* (Congested Thistle) and *Helichrysum armenium* (Armenian Everlasting). It was now time to make our way back to Yeravan. Dinner tonight was in another restaurant, not too far from our hotel.

Day 9

Sunday 11th June

Yeravan Botanic Gardens - Travel home.

A leisurely morning began with breakfast from 8am. After eating, we met at 9am to make the short journey to the Yerevan Botanic Gardens. In the short time we had there we heard Whitethroat and Nightingale, and saw Hooded Crow, Levant Sparrowhawk, and Hoopoe. There were also some new butterflies, including Eastern Meadow Brown, Essex Skipper, Large Skipper, White-letter Hairstreak and Southern White Admiral. At 11am we returned to the hotel to complete our packing before joining the bus for the journey to the airport.

At the Airport, we checked in for Aeroflot flight SU1861 to Moscow, and said goodbye to Edik and Hasmik. On arrival in Moscow Sheremetyevo Airport, we waited for our onward Aeroflot flight SU2584 to London Heathrow Terminal 4, which left at 8.25pm local time. On arrival at Heathrow at 9.25pm, we collected our luggage and said our goodbyes at the carousel, after an extremely enjoyable visit to Armenia.

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Species Lists

Turgenia latifolia

Plants (* indicates a plant is endemic)

Nomenclature contained within this list follows the taxonomic amendments, based on DNA analysis, made by the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew and the Missouri Botanic Garden, and following The Plant List, an internationally accepted list of vascular plant families, published and maintained by these two Institutions

Scientific Name	Common Name	Comments
PTERIDOPHYTES	FERNS & ALLIES	
Leptosporangiate Ferns	True Ferns	
Athyriaceae	Lady-fern Family	
Athyrium filix-femina	Lady-fern	Pambak Ridge
Cystopteridaceae	Bladder-fern Family	
Cystopteris fragilis	Brittle Bladder-fern	Mount Gndasar
GYMNOSPERMS	CONIFERS	
Cupressaceae	Juniper Family	
Juniperus depressus	a Juniper	Above Byurakan
Pinaceae	Pine Family	
Pinus sylvestris var. hamata (P. kochiana)	Koch's Pine	By Lake Sevan
ANGIOSPERMS	FLOWERING PLANTS	
Eu-Dicots	True Dicotyledons	
Adoxaceae	Moschatel Family	
Sambucus ebulus	Danewort	Haghartsin Forest (leaves)
Sambucus nigra	Elderberry	Haghartsin Forest
Viburnum lantana	Wayfaring Tree	Mount Gndasar
Amaranthaceae	Goosefoot Family	
Chenopodium glaucum	Oak-leaved Goosefoot	Armash Fishponds
Salsola glauca	-	Armash Fishponds
Suaeda maritima	Sea-blite	Armash Fishponds
Anarcardiaceae	Sumach Family	
Pistacia atlantica (P. mutica)	Mount Atlas Mastic Tree	Noravank Gorge
Apiaceae	Carrot Family	
Anthriscus sylvestris	Cow Parsley	Amberd junction
Chaerophyllum temulum	Chervil	Mount Gndasar
Chamaesciadium acaule	-	Pambak Ridge
Prangos ferulacea	-	Roadside by Lake Sevan
Sanicula europaea	Sanicle	Parz Lich

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Haghartsin

Scientific Name	Common Name	Comments
Apocynaceae	Periwinkle Family	
Cynanchum acutum	Dog-strangler Vine	Armash Fishponds
Betulaceae	Birch Family	
Carpinus betulus (C. caucasicus)	Hornbeam	Haghartsin Forest
Carpinus orientalis	Oriental Hornbeam	Parz Lich
Corylus avellana	Hazel	Haghartsin Forest
Boraginaceae	Borage Family	
Alkanna orientalis	Yellow Alkanet	Above Byurakan
Anchusa azurea	Large Blue Alkanet	Above Byurakan
Caccinia macranthera	-	Near Hatsavan
Cerinthe minor	Lesser Honeywort	Above Byurakan
Cynoglossum officinale	Hound's-tongue	Amberd junction
Echium russicum (E. rubrum)	Red Bugloss	Mount Gndasar
Echium vulgare	Viper's-bugloss	Parz Lich
Lappula squarrosa	Bur Forget-me-not	Near Lichk
Buglossoides arvensis (Lithospermum arvense)	Corn Gromwell	Amberd
Myosotis alpestris	Alpine Forget-me-not	Pambak Ridge
Nonea armeniaca	-	Near Lichk
Onosma microcarpum	a Golden Drops	Above Byurakan
Onosma tenuifolia	a Golden Drops	Mount Gndasar
Solenanthus stamineus	-	Amberd junction
Symphytum asperum	Rough Comfrey	Mount Gndasar
Brassicaceae	Cabbage Family	
Alliaria petiolata	Garlic Mustard	Parz Lich
Barbarea minor	-	Amberd junction
Bunias orientalis	Warty Cabbage	Gnishik
Capsella bursa-pastoris	Shepherd's Purse	Near Lichk
Cardamine bulbifera	Coralroot Bitter-cress	Parz Lich
Cardamine impatiens	Cut-leaved Bitter-cress	Parz Lich
Cardamine uliginosa	-	Selim plateau
Clypeola jonthlaspi	Clypeola	Above Byurakan
Descurania sophia	Flixweed	Near Lichk
Draba bryoides	-	Below Lake Kari
Hesperis matronalis	Dame's Violet	Parz Lich
Isatis tinctoria	Woad	Amberd
Lepidium draba	Hoary Cress	Roadsides
Lepidium latifolium	Dittander	Armash Fishponds
Nasturtium officinale	Watercress	Near Lichk
Sisymbrium altissimum	Tumbling Mustard	Armash Fishponds
Thlaspi arvense	Field Pennywort	Near Lichk
Campanulaceae	Bellflower Family	
Campanula bayerniana	-	Mount Gndasar
Campanula caucasica	Caucasian Bellflower	Near Bjni
Campanula trachelium	Nettle-leaved Bellflower	Haghartsin
Campanula tridentata	-	Pambak Ridge
Michauxia laevigata	-	Gnishik (in bud)

Scientific Name	Common Name	Comments
Capparaceae	Caper Family	
Capparis spinosa	Caper	Haghartsin
Caprifoliaceae	Honeysuckle Family	
Lonicera xylosteum	Fly Honeysuckle	Parz Lich (leaves)
Scabiosa micrantha	-	Near Hatsavan
Caryophyllaceae	Pink Family	
Cerastium dioicum	-	Pambak Ridge
Cerastium purpurescens	-	Mount Gndasar
Eremogone (Arenaria) dianthoides	-	Mount Gndasar
Eremogone (Arenaria) gypsophiloides		Mount Gndasar
Gypsophila elegans	-	Haghartsin
Scleranthus perennis	Perennial Knawel	Above Byurakan
Silene latifolia	White Campion	Amberd
Silene spergulifolia	-	Mount Gndasar
Celastraceae	Spindle Family	
Euonymus latifolia	Broad-leaved Spindle	Parz Lich
Compositae (Asteraceae)	Daisy Family	
Achillea arabica (A. biebersteinii)	Bieberstein's Millfoil	Above Byurakan
Achillea micrantha (Yellow)	-	Near Bjni
Artemisia absinthium	Wormwood	Above Byurakan
Centaurea cheiranthifolia (white)	-	Mount Gndasar
Centaurea moschata (pink)	Sweet Sultan	Near Hatsavan
Chardinia orientalis	-	Near Hatsavan
Cirsium congestum	-	Near Hatsavan
Cnicus benedictus	Blessed Thistle	Near Hatsavan
Coursinia vulgaris	-	Amberd junction
Doronicum macrophyllum	a Leopard's-bane	Pambak Ridge
Echinops orientalis	Oriental Globe Thistle	Near Hatsavan
Erigeron caucasicus subsp. venustus	-	Selim Pass
Helichrysum armenium	Armenian Everlasting	Near Hatsavan
Jurinea moschus subsp. pinnatisecta	-	Below Lake Kari
Leucanthemum vulgare	Oxeye Daisy	Selim Pass
Onopordum acanthium	Cotton Thistle	Near Lichk
Onopordum armenum	Armenian Cotton Thistle	Near Hatsavan
Petasites albus	White Butterbur	Pambak Ridge
Senecio caucasica	Caucasian Ragwort	Near Hatsavan
Tanacetum aureum (T. chiliophyllum)	-	Above Byurakan
Telekia speciosa	Yellow Oxeye	Mount Gndasar
Tragopogon reticulatus	-	Selim Pass
Convolvulaceae	Bindweed Family	
Calystegia sepium	Hedge Bindweed	Armash Fishponds
Convolvulus arvensis	Field Bindweed	Noravank Gorge
Cuscuta epithymum	Common Dodder	Near Bjni
Elaeagnaceae	Sea-buckthorn Family	
Elaeagnus angustifolia	Russian Olive	Roadsides
Hippophae rhamnoides	Sea-buckthorn	Near Lichk

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Ericaceae	Heather Family	
Rhododendron caucasicum	-	Pambak Ridge
Vaccinium myrtillus	Bilberry	Pambak Ridge
Euphorbiaceae	Spurge Family	
Euphorbia marschalliana	-	Near Bjni
Euphorbia oblongata	-	Pambak Ridge
Fagaceae	Beech Family	
Fagus orientalis	Oriental Beech	Parz Lich
Quercus petraea subsp. iberica	Georgian Oak	Above Byurakan
Quercus macranthera	Caucasian Oak	Parz Lich
Gentianaceae	Gentian Family	
Gentiana aquatica	-	Pambak Ridge
Gentiana pontica	Pontic Gentian	Pambak Ridge
Gentiana pyrenaica	Pyrenean Gentian	Pambak Ridge
Geraniaceae	Geranium Family	
Geranium pyrenaicum	Hedgerow Crane's-bill	Mount Gndasar
Geranium robertianum	Herb Robert	Parz Lich
Geranium robertianum var. album	White Herb Robert	Parz Lich
Geranium tuberosum	Tuberous Crane's-bill	Mount Gndasar
Hippuridaceae	Mare's-tail Family	
Hippuris vulgaris	Mare's-tail	Near Lichk
Hypericaceae	St. John's-wort Family	
Hypericum hyssopifolium	Hyssop-leaved St. John's-wort	Gnishik
Hypericum perforatum	Perforate St. John's-wort	Near Hatsavan
Hypericum scabrum	-	Gnishik
Juglandaceae	Walnut Family	
[Juglans regia]	Walnut	Planted
Lamiaceae	Deadnettle Family	
Ajuga chia	-	Above Byurakan
Ajuga genevensis	Blue Bugle	Parz Lich
Ajuga orientalis	Oriental Bugle	Above Byurakan
Eremostachys molucelloides (ssp. macrophylla)	-	Noravank Gorge
Lallemantia iberica	Dragon's Head	Mount Gndasar
Lamium album	White Deadnettle	Amberd
Marrubium vulgare	White Horehound	Near Bjni
Nepeta betonicaefolia	-	Amberd
Phlomis armena	-	Near Hatsavan
Prunella vulgaris	Selfheal	Near Bjni
Salvia glutinosa	Jupiter's Distaff	Haghartsin Forest (leaves)
Salvia limbata	-	Mount Gndasar
Salvia nemorosa (S. staminea subsp. armena)	-	Mount Gndasar
Salvia verticillata	Whorled Clary	Below Byurakan
Scutellaria orientale	Oriental Skullcap	Above Byurakan
Sideritis montana	-	Near Hatsavan

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Stachys balansae	-	Below Byurakan
Stachys sp.	-	Near Hatsavan
Stachys lavandulifolia	Lavender-leaved Woundwort	Near Bjni
Stachys recta	Yellow Woundwort	Gnishik
Thymus kotschyanus	-	Above Byurakan
Leguminosae (Fabaceae)	Pea Family	5
Astragalus fragrans	-	Above Byurakan
Astragalus goktschiacus	-	Near Bjni
Astragalus maximus	-	Near Hatsavan
Galega officinale	Goat's-rue	Roadsides
Glycyrrhiza glabra	Liquorice	Armash Fishponds
Lathyrus miniatus	-	Mount Gndasar
Lathyrus pratensis	Meadow Vetchling	Haghartsin Forest
Lathyrus roseus	- -	Haghartsin Forest
Medicago lupulina	Black Medick	Above Byurakan
Medicago sativa	Lucerne	Near Lichk
Onobrychis cornuta	-	Gnishik
Onobrychis michauxii	-	Near Hatsavan
Onobrychis radiata	- Onessee Matak	Gnishik
Securigera varia	Crown Vetch	Haghartsin Forest
Sophora alopecurioides	Sophora	Roadsides
Trifolium pratense	Red Clover	Parz Lich
Trifolium repens Vicia balansae	White Clover	Mount Gndasar Mount Gndasar
vicia palarisae	Balan's Vetch	Mount Gnasar
Linaceae	Flax Family	
Linum catharticum	Purging Flax	Above Byurakan
Linum perenne agg.	Perennial Flax	Mount Gndasar
Malvaceae	Mallow Family	
Malva ceae Malva pusilla	Manow Failing	Near Hatsavan
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Oleaceae	Olive Family	
Fraxinus excelsior	Ash	Haghartsin
Orobanchaceae	Broomrape Family	
Diphelypaea (Phelypaea) tournefortii		Amberd
Orobanche caryophyllaea	Clove-scented Broomrape	Mount Gndasar
Pedicularis armena	Armenian Lousewort	Pambak Ridge
Pedicularis condensata	Condensed Lousewort	Sevan Pass
Pedicularis sibthorpii	Sibthorp's Lousewort	Amberd junction
Pedicularis wilhelmsiana	Wilhelm's Lousewort	Selim Plateau
Rhynchocorys orientalis	-	Parz Lich
P	Banan Fam''	
Papaveraceae	Poppy Family	
Fumaria parviflora	Small-flowered Fumitory	Parz Lich
Fumaria vaillantii	Few-flowered Fumitory	Amberd junction
Glaucium elegans	-	Near Hatsavan
Papaver orientale	-	Amberd

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Plantaginaceae	Plantain Family	
Globularia trichosantha	-	Above Byurakan
Plantago bellardii	-	Below Lake Kari
Plantago lanceolata	Ribwort Plantain	Near Hatsavan
Plantago major	Greater Plantain	Parz Lich
Veronica austriaca	-	Haghartsin Forest
Veronica chamaedrys	Germander Speedwell	Parz Lich
Veronica gentianoides	Gentian-like Speedwell	Below Lake Kari
Veronica multifida	Many-lobed Speedwell	Above Byurakan
Veronica persica	Common Field Speedwell	Parz Lich
Veronica serpyllifolia	Thyme-leaved Speedwell	Sevan Pass
Polygonaceae	Knotweed Family	
Persicaria bistorta	Bistort	Near Lich
Polygonum cognatum (P. alpestre)	Alpine Knotgrass	Near Lich
Polygonum patulum	-	Armash Fishponds
Rumex acetosa	Sorrel	Mount Gndasar
Rumex alpinus	Monk's Rhubarb	Mount Gndasar
Rumex conglomeratus	Clustered Dock	Parz Lich
Rumex crispus	Curled Dock	Parz Lich
Rumex obtusifolius	Broad-leaved Dock	Parz Lich
Rumex scutatus	French Sorrel	Near Bjni
Primulaceae	Primrose Family	
Glaux maritima	Sea Milkwort	Near Lich
Primula algida	-	Pambak Ridge
Primula auriculata	a Bird's-eye Primrose	Selim Plateau
Primula ruprechtii	Ruprecht's Primrose	Pambak Ridge
Primula veris subsp. macrocalyx	-	Amberd junction
Ranunculaceae	Buttercup Family	
Adonis annua	Pheasant's-eye	Gnishik
Anemone narcissiflora subsp. fasciculata	-	Sevan Pass
Caltha palustris (C. polypetala)	Marsh Marigold	Mount Gndasar
Consolida divaricata	-	Near Hatsavan
Consolida orientalis	Oriental Larkspur	Near Hatsavan
Pulsatilla albana	a Pasqueflower	Below Lake Kari
Ranunculus acris	Meadow Buttercup	Gnishik
Ranunculus arvensis	Corn Buttercup	Mount Gndasar
Ranunculus sceleratus	Celery-leaved Buttercup	Near Lich
Thalictrum minus	Lesser Meadow-rue	Mount Gndasar
Trollius ranunculinus (T. patulus)	a Globeflower	Pambak Ridge
Resedaceae	Mignonette Family	
Reseda lutea	Mignonette	Armash Fishponds
Rhamnaceae	Buckthorn Family	
Rhamnus pallasii	-	Near Hatsavan
Rosaceae	Rose Family	
Alchemilla alpina	Alpine Lady's-mantle	Below Lake Kari
Alchemilla glabra	Smooth Lady's-mantle	Mount Gndasar

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Alchemilla sp.	a Lady's-mantle	Mount Gndasar
Cotoneaster sp.	-	Near Bjni
Crataegus orientalis	Oriental Hawthorn	Above Byurakan
Fragaria vesca	Wild Strawberry	Haghartsin Forest
Geum urbanum	Wood Avens	Parz Lich
Mespilus germanica	Medlar	Haghartsin Forest
Potentilla crantzii	Alpine Cinquefoil	Pambak Ridge
Potentilla hirta	Hairy Cinquefoil	Above Byurakan
Potentilla recta	Sulphur Cinquefoil	Haghartsin
Poterum sanguisorba subsp. balearicum	Fodder Burnet	Gnishik
Prunus incana (P. cerasus)	-	Noravank Gorge
Rosa hemisphaerica	a Yellow Rose	Gnishik
Sibbaldia parviflora	Sibbaldia	Pambak Ridge
Spiraea hypericifolia	-	Amberd junction
Rubiaceae	Bedstraw Family	
Cruciata laevipes	Crosswort	Amberd junction
Galium odoratum	Woodruff	Parz Lich
Salicaceae	Willow Family	
Salix caprea	Goat Willow	Pambak Ridge
Sapindaceae	Maple Family	
Acer campestre	Field Maple	Mount Gndasar
Acer platanoides	Norway Maple	Parz Lich
Acer heldreichii subsp. trautvetteri	Trautvetter's Maple	Sevan Pass
Scrophulariaceae	Figwort Family	
Scrophularia chrysantha	Golden Figwort	Amberd
Scrophularia ilvensis	Ilven Figwort	Selim Plateau
Verbascum speciosum	-	Near Hatsavan
Solanaceae	Nightshade Family	
Hyoscyamus nigra	Henbane	Above Byurakan
Thymelaeaceae	Mezereon Family	
Daphne glomerata	'-	Parz Lich
Ulmaceae	Elm family	
Zelkova carpinifolia (Ulmus carpinifolia)	Caucasian Elm	Parz Lich
Urticaceae	Nettle Family	
Parietaria judaica	Pellitory-of-the-Wall	Garni Temple
Urtica dioica subsp. dioica	Common Nettle	Mount Gndasar
Valerianaceae	Valerian Family	
Valeriana alliariifolia	-	Amberd
Valeriana ovalifolia		Amberd
Violaceae	Violet Family	
Viola arvensis	Field Pansy	Haghartsin

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Zygophyllaceae	Zygophyllum Family	
Zygophyllum fabago	Syrian Bean-caper	S of Yerevan
Monocots	Monocotyledons	
Amaryllidaceae	Daffodil Family	
Allium rubellum	-	Near Hatsavan
Allium tripedale (Nectaroscordum tripedale)	-	Amberd
Asparagaceae	Asparagus Family	
Asparagus verticillatus	-	Armash Fishponds
Leopoldia caucasica (Muscari caucasicum)	Leopoldia	Above Byurakan
Muscari armeniacum (M. szovitsianum)	a Grape Hyacinth	Mount Gndasar
Ornithogalum transcaucasicum	-	Above Byurakan
Puschkinia scilloides	Puschkinia	Below Lake Kari
Scilla siberica subsp. armena	Armenian Squill	Below Lake Kari
Colchicaeae	Colchicum Family	
Colchicum raddeanum (Merendera raddeana)	-	Below Lake Kari
Cyperaceae	Sedge Family	
Carex divulsa	Grey Sedge	Parz Lich
Carex spicata	Spiked Sedge	Parz Lich
Carex sylvatica	Wood Sedge	Parz Lich
Scirpus sylvaticus	Wood Clubrush	Sevan Pass
Iridaceae	Iris Family	
Gladiolus atroviolaceus	-	Gnishik
Gladiolus caucasicus	Caucasian Gladiolus	Mount Gndasar
Liliaceae	Lily Family	
Fritillaria collina	-	Pambak Ridge
Gagea glacialis	Glacier Yellow Star of Bethlehem	Below Lake Kari
Melanthiaceae	Herb-Paris Family	
Veratrum lobelianum	Green False-helleborine	Sevan Pass (leaves)
Orchidaceae	Orchid Family	
Cephalanthera damasonium	White Helleborine	Parz Lich
Cephalanthera rubra	Red Helleborine	Parz Lich
Coeloglossum viridis	Frog Orchid	Pambak Ridge
Corallorhiza trifida	Coralroot Orchid	Pambak Ridge
Dactylorhiza umbrosa (D. sanasunitensis)	-	Selim Pass
Dactylorhiza urvilleana	-	Parz Lich
Gymnadenia conopsea subsp. conopsea	Fragrant Orchid	Pambak Ridge
Neottia nidus-avis	Bird's-nest Orchid	Parz Lich
Orchis mascula	Early Purple Orchid	Haghartsin Forest
Orchis palustris	-	Mount Gndasar
Platanthera bifolia	Lesser Butterfly Orchid	Haghartsin Forest
Poaceae	Grass Family	
Aegilops cylindrica	Jointed Goat-grass	Near Hatsavan

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Alopecurus pratensis	Meadow Foxtail	Near Lich
Alopecurus ovatus (A. alpinus)	Alpine Foxtail	Below Lake Kari
Cynodon dactylon	Bermuda Grass	Armash Fishponds
Hordeum bulbosum	-	Mount Gndasar
Hordeum murinum	Wall Barley	Armash Fishponds
Melica ciliata	-	Gnishik
Phragmites australis	Common Reed	Armash Fishponds
Poa alpina	Alpine Meadow-grass	Pambak Ridge
Poa bulbosa var. vivipara	Viviperous Bulbous Meadow-grass	Above Byurakan
Poa nemoralis	Wood Meadow-grass	Parz Lich
Puccinellia distans	Reflexed Salt-marsh Grass	Armash Fishponds
Taeniatherum crinitum	Medusahead	Armash Fishponds
Xanthorrhoeaceae	Asphodel Family	
Eremurus spectabilis	Yellow Foxtail Lily	Mount Gndasar

Birds (✓=recorded but not counted; H = heard only; LO = Leader Only)

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1	Ruddy Shelduck	Tadorna ferruginea					✓		✓				
2	Gadwall	Mareca strepera			✓		✓						
3	Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos					✓		✓				
4	Red-crested Pochard	Netta rufina			✓								
5	Common Pochard	Aythya ferina					✓						
6	Ferruginous Duck	Aythya nyroca			✓								
7	Chukar Partridge	Alectoris chukar			✓	✓							
8	Grey Partridge	Perdix perdix				LO							
9	Common Quail	Coturnix coturnix				Н		Н					
10	Little Grebe	Tachybaptus ruficollis			Н		✓						
11	Great Crested Grebe	Podiceps cristatus			✓		✓						
12	Greater Flamingo	Phoenicopterus roseus			✓								
13	White Stork	Ciconia ciconia			✓	✓	✓		✓				
14	Glossy Ibis	Plegadis falcinellus			✓		✓						
15	Little Bittern	Ixobrychus minutus			✓								
16	Black-crowned Night Heron	Nycticorax nycticorax			✓		✓						
17	Squacco Heron	Ardeola ralloides			✓		✓						
18	Western Cattle Egret	Bubulcus ibis					✓						
19	Grey Heron	Ardea cinerea			✓		✓						
20	Purple Heron	Ardea purpurea			✓								
21	Little Egret	Egretta garzetta		✓	✓		✓						
22	Pygmy Cormorant	Microcarbo pygmeus			✓		✓						
23	Bearded Vulture	Gypaetus barbatus		✓									
24	Griffon Vulture	Gyps fulvus		✓									
25	Lesser Spotted Eagle	Aquila pomarina						✓					
26	Booted Eagle	Hieraaetus pennatus							✓				
27	Golden Eagle	Aquila chrysaetos			✓	✓							
28	Levant Sparrowhawk	Accipiter brevipes				✓				✓	✓		
29	Western Marsh Harrier	Circus aeruginosus			✓		✓						
30	Long-legged Buzzard	Buteo rufinus		✓		✓	✓			✓			
31	Common Buzzard	Buteo buteo				✓		✓	✓				

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32	Corn Crake	Crex crex						Н			
33	Common Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus				✓					
34	Eurasian Coot	Fulica atra			✓		✓				
35	Black-winged Stilt	Himantopus himantopus			✓		✓				
36	Pied Avocet	Recurvirostra avosetta			✓						
37	Northern Lapwing	Vanellus vanellus			✓		✓				
38	White-tailed Lapwing	Vanellus leucurus			✓						
39	Common Ringed Plover	Charadrius hiaticula			✓						
40	Black-tailed Godwit	Limosa limosa			✓						
41	Common Redshank	Tringa totanus			✓						
42	Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos					✓				
43	Slender-billed Gull	Chroicocephalus genei			√						
44	Black-headed Gull	Chroicocephalus ridibundus			✓						
45	Armenian Gull	Larus armenicus			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
46	Rock Dove [Feral]	Columba livia Feral		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
47	Common Wood Pigeon	Columba palumbus				✓	✓	✓			✓
48	Common Cuckoo	Cuculus canorus		Н	√	✓	Н	Н	Н	Н	
49	Eurasian Scops Owl	Otus scops				Н					
50	Alpine Swift	Tachymarptis melba								✓	
51	Common Swift	Apus apus		✓	✓	✓	✓	√	√	✓	√
52	European Roller	Coracias garrulus			✓					✓	
53	Common Kingfisher	Alcedo atthis			✓						
54	European Bee-eater	Merops apiaster		Н	✓	✓	✓	Н	Н	✓	Н
55	Eurasian Hoopoe	Upupa epops		√	✓	✓	✓	√	✓	✓	✓
56	Middle Spotted Woodpecker	Dendrocoptes medius						✓			
57	Syrian Woodpecker	Dendrocopos syriacus								✓	✓
58	Great Spotted Woodpecker	Dendrocopos major						✓			
59	European Green Woodpecker	Picus viridis			Н		✓				
60	Common Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus	М	√	√	✓				✓	
61	Red-backed Shrike	Lanius collurio	1.4.	✓		/	✓	✓	✓	✓	
62	Lesser Grey Shrike	Lanius minor		✓	√						
63	Eurasian Golden Oriole	Oriolus oriolus			Н	Н	Н				
64	Eurasian Jay	Garrulus glandarius				√	' '	√	✓		
65	Eurasian Magpie	Pica pica		√	✓	· /	/	·	· ✓	✓	✓
66	Red-billed Chough	Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax		· ✓	· ✓	· ·		Ť	<u> </u>	✓	-
67	Western Jackdaw	Coloeus monedula		· /	· /				✓	✓	
68	Rook	Corvus frugilegus		Н	<u> </u>				<u> </u>	_	
69	Hooded Crow	Corvus cornix		√	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
70	Northern Raven	Corvus corax		, ✓	· /	✓	<u> </u>	→	→	•	•
71	Coal Tit	Periparus ater		•	_	_		▼	_		
72	Eurasian Blue Tit	·						▼			
73	Great Tit	Cyanistes caeruleus						∨	✓	✓	✓
		Parus major			✓			•	•	· ·	-
74	Eurasian Penduline Tit	Remiz pendulinus Panurus biarmicus			∨ ✓						
75 76	Bearded Reedling		-	✓	,	✓					
76	Woodlark	Lullula arborea		✓		✓	✓		✓	1.	
77	Eurasian Skylark	Alauda arvensis	-			, ,	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	Н	'	Н	
78	Crested Lark	Galerida cristata	-	√						✓	
79 80	Horned Lark	Eremophila alpestris pencilliata		√							
	Sand Martin	Riparia riparia	1	✓	✓		✓				

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82	Eurasian Crag Martin	Ptyonoprogne rupestris		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
83	Common House Martin	Delichon urbicum		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
84	Cetti's Warbler	Cettia cetti		Н	Н	✓	Н	Н	Н		
85	Long-tailed Tit	Aegithalos caudatus major									
86	Mountain Chiffchaff	Phylloscopus sindianus					Н	Н	✓		
87	Green Warbler	Phylloscopus nitidus						✓			
88	Great Reed Warbler	Acrocephalus arundinaceous			✓	Н	Н				
89	Eurasian Reed Warbler	Acrocephalus scirpaceus			✓		✓				
90	Marsh Warbler	Acrocephalus palustris						✓			
91	Upcher's Warbler	Hippolais languida								✓	
92	Eurasian Blackcap	Sylvia atricapilla		Н							
93	Common Whitethroat	Sylvia communis		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
94	Menetries's Warbler	Sylvia mystacea			✓						
95	Eurasian Wren	Troglodytes troglodytes		Н				Н	Н		
96	Eurasian Nuthatch	Sitta europaea						✓			
97	Western Rock Nuthatch	Sitta neumayer		✓	✓					✓	
98	Eastern Rock Nuthatch	Sitta tephronota			✓						
99	Eurasian Treecreeper	Certhia familiaris						✓			
100	Rosy Starling	Pastor roseus		✓	✓				✓	✓	✓
101	Common Starling	Sturnus vulgaris					✓		✓		
102	Ring Ouzel	Turdus torquatus		✓		✓					
103	Common Blackbird	Turdus merula		✓		✓	✓	✓	√	✓	✓
104	Song Thrush	Turdus philomelos						Н			
105	Mistle Thrush	Turdus viscivorus							✓		
106	Rufous-tailed Scrub Robin	Erythropygia galactotes syriaca								✓	
107	Spotted Flycatcher	Muscicapa striata						✓			
108	European Robin	Erithacus rubecula						✓			
109	Bluethroat	Luscinia svecica					✓				
110	Common Nightingale	Luscinia megarhynchos			Н	Н					Н
111	White-throated Robin	Irania gutturalis			√					√	
112	Red-breasted Flycatcher	Ficedula parva						✓			
113	Black Redstart	Phoenicurus ochruros semirufus		√							
114	Common Redstart	Phoenicurus p. samamisicus					✓	✓	✓	√	
115	Common Rock Thrush	Monticola saxatilis		√			✓	✓		✓	
116	Blue Rock Thrush	Monticola solitarius			LO						
117	Whinchat	Saxicola rubetra		✓		√	✓	✓	✓		
118	Northern Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe		✓	√	√	✓		✓		
119	Isabelline Wheatear	Oenanthe isabellina								✓	
120	Black-eared Wheatear	Oenanthe hispanica		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
121	Finsch's Wheatear	Oenanthe finschii								✓	
122	White-throated Dipper	Cinclus cinclus					✓				
123	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus		✓							
124	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	Passer montanus			✓						
125	Pale Rockfinch	Carpospiza brachydactyla								✓	
126	Rock Sparrow	Petronia petronia					✓			· ·	
127	White-winged Snowfinch	Montifringilla nivalis		✓			† ·				
128	Alpine Accentor	Prunella collaris		· ·							
129	Radde's Accentor	Prunella ocularis		· ·							
130	Dunnock	Prunella modularis		Ė				✓			
131	Western Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla flava feldegg			✓		✓	Ė			<u> </u>

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132	Grey Wagtail	Motacilla cinerea				✓			✓			
133	White Wagtail	Motacilla alba		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
134	Tawny Pipit	Anthus campestris		✓					Н	Н		
135	Tree Pipit	Anthus trivialis				Н	Н	✓				
136	Water Pipit	Anthus spinoletta		✓			Н	Н	✓			
137	Common Chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs				Н		✓				
138	Hawfinch	Coccothraustes coccothraustes						✓				
139	Common Rosefinch	Carpodacus erythrinus					✓	✓	✓			
140	European Greenfinch	Chloris chloris						✓	✓			
141	Common Linnet	Linaria cannabina		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		
142	European Goldfinch	Carduelis carduelis			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		
143	Red-fronted Serin	Serinus pusillus				✓						
144	Corn Bunting	Emberiza calandra		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
145	Rock Bunting	Emberiza cia				✓			✓			
146	Ortolan Bunting	Emberiza hortulana		✓		✓	✓		✓			
147	Black-headed Bunting	Emberiza melanocephala		✓	✓	✓				✓		

Mammals

1	Red Fox	Vulpes vulpes			✓			
2	Caucasian Brown Bear	Ursus arctos caucasicus		✓				
3	Weasel	Mustela nivalis			✓			
4	Bezoar's Goat	Capra aegagrus aegagrus		✓				
5	Persian Squirrel	Sciurus anomalus				✓		

Amphibians & Reptiles

1	Levant Water Frog	Pelophylax bedriagae		✓	Н	Н		Н		
2	Eastern Green Lizard	Lacerta viridis	✓		✓					
3	Caspian Green Lizard	Lacerta strigata								✓
4	Armenian Rock Lizard	Darevskia armeniaca	✓		✓		✓		✓	✓

Butterflies

1	Swallowtail	Papilio machaon syriacus							✓	
2	Scarce Swallowtail	Iphiclides podalirius persica	✓		✓				✓	
3	Clouded Apollo	Parnassius mnemosyne nubilosus	✓		✓					
4	Black-veined White	Aporia crataegi iranica			✓				✓	
5	Large White	Pieris brassicae	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
6	Small White	Pieris rapae transcaucasica	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
7	Bath White	Pontia edusa edusa		✓					✓	
8	Orange Tip	Anthocharis cardamines			✓	✓	✓			
9	Eastern Dappled White	Euchloe ausonia taurica			✓					
10	Clouded Yellow	Colias crocea			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
11	Berger's Clouded Yellow	Colias alfacariensis fontainei	✓		✓		✓			
12	Brimstone	Gonepteryx rhamni miljanowskii	✓		✓					
13	Powdered Brimstone	Gonepteryx farinosa turcirana							✓	
14	Eastern Wood White	Leptidea duponcheli maiae			✓	✓	✓	✓		
15	White-letter hairstreak	Callophrys w-album								✓
16	Small Blue	Cupido minimus			✓		✓			
17	Holly Blue	Celastrina argiolas								✓
18	Green-underside Blue	Glaucopscyche alexis lugens	✓		✓					

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19	Silver-studded Blue	Plebejus argus bellus			✓						
20	Eastern Brown Argus	Plebejus (Kretania) eurypilus				✓					
21	Brown Argus	Aricia agrestis azerbajdzhana				✓				✓	
22	Chapman's Blue	Agrodiaetus thersites ketshevana							✓		
23	Adonis Blue	Polymmatus (Lysandra) bellargus		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		
24	Common Blue	Polyommatus icarus		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
25	Eastern Mazarine Blue	Polyommatus semiargus bellis								✓	
26	Southern White Admiral	Limenitis reducta mirzajani									✓
27	Common Glider	Neptis sappho							✓		✓
28	Large Tortoiseshell	Nymphalis polychloros									✓
29	Red Admiral	Vanessa atalanta		✓							
30	Painted Lady	Vanessa cardui		✓			✓	✓			
31	Small Tortoiseshell	Aglais urticae turcica		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
32	Comma Butterfly	Polygonia c-album						✓			
33	Cardinal Fritillary	Argynnis pandora		✓		✓				✓	✓
34	Queen of Spain Fritillary	Issoria lathonia				✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
35	Pearl-bordered Fritillary	Boloria euphrosyne dagestanica						✓			
36	Glanville Fritillary	Melitaea cinxia		✓		✓			✓		
37	Spotted Fritillary	Melitaea didyma transcaucasica		✓		✓					
38	a Marsh Fritillary 'type'	Eurodryas provincialis		✓							
39	Marbled White	Maelanargia larissa astanda								✓	
40	Woodland Ringlet	Erebia medusa psodea						✓	✓	✓	
41	'Eastern' Meadow Brown	Maniola jurtina strandiana									✓
42	Large Wall Brown	Lasiommata maera orientalis				✓					
43	Obethur's Grizzled Skipper	Pyrgus armoricanus persicus		✓		✓					
44	Dingy Skipper	Erynnis tages unicolor				✓		✓	✓		
45	Essex Skipper	Thymelicus lineola									✓
46	Southern Small Skipper	Thymelicus sylvestris syriaca									✓
47	Large Skipper	Ochlodes sylvianus									✓

Micros Moths

1	Nettle Tap	Anthophila fabricana				✓		
2	Pyralid	Synaphe moldavica		✓				
3	Crambid	Sitochroa verticalis	✓					

Macros Moths (C = caterpillar)

1	a Burnet	Zygaena cuvieri.							✓	
2	Lackey	Malacosoma neustria			С					
3	Franconian Lackey	Malacosoma franconicum	С							
4	Geometrid	Lithyria cruentaria		✓						
5	Chimney Sweeper	Odezia atrata			✓					
6	Speckled Yellow	Pseudopanthera macularia			✓		✓	✓		
7	Black-veined Moth	Siona lineata			✓		✓	✓		
8	Humming-bird Hawk-moth	Macroglossum stellatarum		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓
9	Nine-spotted	Amata phegea		✓				✓		
10	Mother Shipton	Callystege mi					✓			
11	Burnet Companion	Euclidia glyphica			✓	✓	✓	✓		
12	Four Spotted	Tyta luctuosa			✓			✓		

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Other Invertebrates

1	Banded Demoiselle	Calpteryx splendens		✓						
2	Azure Bluet	Coenagrion puella		✓						
3	Common Blue-tail	Ischnura elegans		✓		✓				
4	Large Red-eye Damselfly	Erythromma najas		✓						
5	Lesser Emperor	Anax parthenope		✓						
6	Black-tailed Skimmer	Orthetrum cancellatum		✓						
7	Red-veined Darter	Sympetrum fonscolombii		✓						
8	Nose Grasshopper	Acrida ungarica		✓					✓	
9	Groundhopper	Tetrigidae sp.	✓							
10	Roesel's Bush-cricket	Metrioptera roeselii						✓		
11	Field Cricket	Gryllus campestris			Н					
12	Pied Shield Bug	Sehirus bicolor					✓			
13	Shield Bug	Eurydema dominulus		✓						
14	Shield Bug	Graphosoma lineatum			✓	✓				
15	Forest Bug	Pentatoma rufipes			✓					
16	Fire Bug	Pyrrhocoris apterus					✓			✓
17	Froghopper (Red & Black)	Cercopis vulnerata					✓			
18	Ant-lion	Nemoptera nitida							✓	
19	Scorpion Fly	Panorpa sp.	✓				✓			
20	Bee-fly	Bombylius sp.	✓		✓	✓			✓	
21	Robber-fly	Asilidae sp.			✓					
22	Hover-fly sp.	Syrphus sp.	✓							
23	Hornet	Vespa crabro							✓	
24	European Paper Wasp	Polistes gallicus			✓				✓	
25	Armenian Bumblebee	Bombus armeniacus			✓				✓	✓
26	Carpenter Bee	Xylocopa sp.			✓	✓			✓	
27	Common Carder Bee	Bombus pascuorum					✓			
28	Honey Bee	Apis millifera	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
29	Dung Beetle sp.	Scarabid sp.	✓						✓	
30	Garden Chafer	Phyllopertha horticola	✓							
31	Pollen Chafer	Tropinota squalida	✓		✓			✓	✓	
32	Pollen Chafer	Oxythyrea funesta	✓							✓
33	Soldier Beetle	Cantharis rustica				✓			✓	
34	Cardinal Beetle	Pyrochroa coccinea					✓			
35	Seven-spot Ladybird	Coccinella 7-punctata	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	
36	Churchyard Beetle	Blaps mucronata						✓		
37	Longhorn Beetle	Dorcadion c.f. obenbergeri				✓	✓			
38	Longhorn Beetle	Dorcadion pedestre	✓							
39	Sheep Tick	Ixodes ricinus					✓	✓	✓	
40	Crab Spider	Thomisidae sp.					✓			

Molluscs

1	Roman Snail	Helix pomatia		LO			