



Northumberland 13-19 July 2006

Based at Seahouses on a family holiday. Just a few short early morning trips to Annstead Point (Seahouses), Budle Bay and Stag Rocks. Monkshouse Pools visited most days. This gives an idea of the species seen, along with some of the highlights. Many more species could have been seen with visits to just a few more localities.

For further details on localities see <http://www.naturalbornbirder.com/uk/uk.php>



Little egret, Budle Bay, 19 July 2006



Little Ringed Plover, Monkshouse Pools



Black-tailed Godwit, Monkshouse Pools



Common Sandpiper, Monkshouse Pools



Female Stonechat, Ross Back Sands, 19 July



Dunlin, Monkshouse Pools



Species List

Species	Norwegian Name	Scientific name	Numbers ¹	Comments
Northern Fulmar	Havhest	<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>	**	15-50 in an hour at Annstead on 13-15 July (normal number). 8 in 2 minutes at Church Point, Newbiggin-by-the-sea
Manx Shearwater	Havlire	<i>Puffinus puffinus</i>	**	
Northern Gannet	Havsule	<i>Sula bassana</i>	****	Up to 500 per hour at Seahouses
Great Cormorant	Storskarv	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	**	Common
European Shag	Toppskarv	<i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i>	***	
Little Egret	Silkehegre	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	*	One in Budle Bay 19 July.
Grey Heron	Gråhegre	<i>Ardea cinera</i>	*	
Mute Swan	Knoppsvane	<i>Cygnus olor</i>	*	
Greylag Goose	Grågas	<i>Anser anser</i>	*	Breeding at Monkshouse Pools?
Common Shelduck	Gravand	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>	**	30+ in Budle Bay. Smaller numbers elsewhere
Eurasian Wigeon	Brunnake	<i>Anas penelope</i>	*	Monkshouse Pools
Eurasian Teal	Krikkand	<i>Anas crecca</i>	*	Monkshouse Pools
Mallard	Stokkand	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	**	
Northern Shoveler	Skjeand	<i>Anas clypeata</i>	*	2 at Monkshouse pools daily
Tufted Duck	Toppand	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>	**	
Common Eider	Ærfugl	<i>Somateria mollissima</i>	**	
Common Scoter	Svartand	<i>Melanitta nigra</i>	**	
Eurasian Sparrowhawk	Spurvehawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>	*	
Common Buzzard	Musvåk	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	*	1-2 Seen at Bamburgh, Budle and Wooler
Common Kestrel	Tårnfalk	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	*	
Peregrine	Vandrefalk	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	*	Up to 3 in Budle Bay. Parents training young to hunt
Grey Partridge	Rapphøne	<i>Perdix perdix</i>	*	
Pheasant	Fasan	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	*	

¹ * = 1-10, ** = tens, *** = hundreds, **** = thousands



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Common Moorehen	Sivhøne	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	*	
Common Coot	Sothøne	<i>Fulica atra</i>	**	
Eurasian Oystercatcher	Tjeld	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	***	
Little Plover	Dverglo	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>	*	One at Monkshouse Pools 15 July
Ringed Plover	Sandlo	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	**	
European Golden Plover	Heilo	<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>	*	Small flocks at Seahouses and Budle
Northern Lapwing	Vipe	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	**	
Red Knot	Polarsnipe	<i>Calidris canutus</i>	*	Monkshouse Pools & Budle Bay. Adults in summer plumage
Dunlin	Myrsnipe	<i>Calidris alpina</i>	**	6-20 at Seahouses, Monkshouse and Budle
Common Snipe	Enkeltbekkasin	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	**	
Black-tailed Godwit	Svarthalespove	<i>Limosa limosa</i>	*	1-2 at Monkshouse, 14 at Cresswell Pond 16.07
Bar-tailed Godwit	Lappspove	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	*	1-2 in Budle Bay (low numbers)
Whimbrel	Småspove	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	*	2-7 at Seahouses and Budle
Eurasian Curlew	Storspove	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	***	flocks of over 100 at Seahouses and Budle
Common Redshank	Rødstilk	<i>Tringa totanus</i>	**	
Common Greenshank	Gluttesnipe	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	*	2 in Budle Bay on 16 and 19 July
Common Sandpiper	Strandsnipe	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	*	Budle Bay, Seahouses & Monkshouse
Ruddy Turnstone	Steinvender	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	*	4 at Stag Rocks 17 July (normal numbers)
Black-headed Gull	Hettemåke	<i>Larus ridebudus</i>	***	
Common Gull	Fiskemåke	<i>Larus canus</i>	**	
Lesser Black-backed Gull	Sildemåke	<i>Larus fuscus</i>	**	
Herring Gull	Gråmake	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	***	
Great Black-backed Gull	Svarbak	<i>Larus marinus</i>	***	
Black-legged Kittiwake	Krykkje	<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>	***	
Sandwich Tern	Splitterne	<i>Sterna sandvicensis</i>	***	
Roseate Tern	Rosenterne	<i>Sterna dougallii</i>	*	2 at Church Point, Newbiggin during a 2 minute seawatch on 14 July
Common Tern	Makrellterne	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	**	
Arctic Tern	Rødnebbterne	<i>Sterna paradisaea</i>	***	



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Little Tern	Dvergterne	<i>Sterna albifrons</i>	*	2 at Seahouses 13 July
Common Guillemot	Lomvi	<i>Uria aalge</i>	***	
Razorbill	Alke	<i>Alca torda</i>	**	
Atlantic Puffin	Lunde	<i>Fratercula arctica</i>	****	Flocks passing constantly at Seahouses
Stock dove	Skogdue	<i>Columba oenas</i>	*	2 in Budle Bay on 19 July
Common Woodpigeon	Ringdue	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	**	
Eurasian Collared Dove	Tyrkedue	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	*	
Common Swift	Tårnseiler	<i>Apus aapus</i>	***	
Great Spotted Woodpecker	Flaggspett	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>	*	1 in Budle Bay on 19 July
Skylark	Sanglerke	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	*	
Sand Martin	Sandsvale	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	**	
Barn Swallow	Låvesvale	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	***	
House Martin	Taksvale	<i>Delichon urbica</i>	**	
Meadow Pipit	Heipiplerke	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>	**	
Rock Pipit	Skjærpiplerke	<i>Anthus petrosus</i>	*	
Yellow Wagtail	Gulerle	<i>Motacilla flava</i>	*	Monkhouse Pools and Cresswell Ponds
Pied Wagtail	Linerle	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	**	
Winter Wren	Gjerdsmett	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>	*	
Hedge Accentor	Jernspurv	<i>Prunella modularis</i>	*	
European Robin	Rødstrupe	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	*	
Stonechat	Svartstrupe	<i>Saxicola torquata</i>	*	5 (family party) at Ross Back Sands 19 July
Northern Wheatear	Steinskvett	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	*	One at Monsjouse pools 18 July
Common Blackbird	Svartrost	<i>Turdus merula</i>	**	
Song Thrush	Måltrost	<i>Turdus philomelus</i>	*	
Mistle thrush	Duetrost	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>	*	Budle Bay
Common Grasshopper Warbler	Gresshoppesanger	<i>Locustella naevia</i>	*	3 singing from Dunes between Stag Rocks and Budle Point 17 July
Sedge Warbler	Sivsanger	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>	**	
Common Whitethroat	Tornsanger	<i>Sylvia communis</i>	*	



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Common Chiffchaff	Gransanger	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>	*	
Spotted Flycatcher	Gråfluesnapper	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>	*	Alnwick Gardens
Coal Tit	Svartmeis	<i>Parus ater</i>	*	
Blue Tit	Blåmeis	<i>Parus caeruleus</i>	*	
Great Tit	Kjøttmeis	<i>Parus major</i>	*	
Eurasian Treecreeper	Trekryper	<i>Certhia familiaris</i>	*	Alnwick Gardens
Black-billed Magpie	Skjære	<i>Pica pica</i>	**	
Eurasian Jackdaw	Kaie	<i>Corvus monedula</i>	***	
Rook	Kornkråke	<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>	***	
Carrion Crow	Svarkråke	<i>Corvus corone</i>	***	
Common Starling	Stær	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	***	
House Sparrow	Gråspurv	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	**	
Chaffinch	Bokfink	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	*	
European Greenfinch	Grønnfink	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>	*	
European Goldfinch	Stillits	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	**	Common everywhere
Common Linnet	Tornirisk	<i>Carduelis cannabina</i>	**	
Yellowhammer	Gulspurv	<i>Emberiza citrinella</i>	**	
Reed Bunting	Sivspurv	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>	**	