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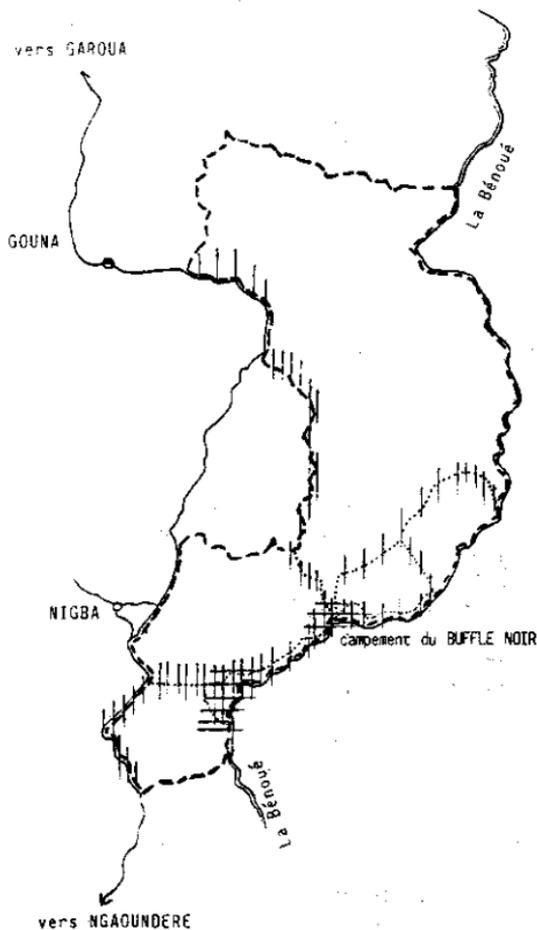
CONTRIBUTION A LA LISTE DES OISEAUX DU PARC NATIONAL DE LA BENOUE NORD, CAMEROUN - Lors d'une mission d'étude au Cameroun, nous avons séjourné du 14 au 16 février 1987 dans le partie méridionale du Parc National de la Bénoué, situé dans la moitié nord du Cameroun, par 08°10'LN en moyenne. Kavanagh (1977) donnait une première liste sur l'avifaune du parc, qui fut par la suite complétée par Heaton en 1979 et dont on retrouve mention dans Louette (1981). Ayant observé un certain nombre d'espèces encore non répertoriées pour cette région nous faisons figurer ci-dessous nos observations, en indiquant les espèces nouvelles.

Légendes: * = espèces nouvelles
 c = espèces communes (+ de 5 observations)
 + = espèces uniquement observées aux abords de la Bénoué

+	<i>Butorides striatus</i>	Green-backed Heron
+	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	Little Egret
+	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	Grey Heron
+	<i>Ardea melanocephala</i>	Black-headed Heron
+	<i>Ardea goliath</i>	Goliath Heron
+c	<i>Scopus umbretta</i>	Hammerkop
+	<i>Bostrychia hagedash</i>	Hadada Ibis
	<i>Neophron monachus</i>	Hooded Vulture
	<i>Circaetus beaudouini</i>	Snake-eagle
	<i>Melierax metabates</i>	Chanting Goshawk
	<i>Bustastur rufipennis</i>	Grasshopper Buzzard
+	<i>Haliaeetus vocifer</i>	West African River Eagle
	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	Black Kite
*	<i>Falco chicquera</i>	Red-necked Falcon
c	<i>Francolinus bicalcaratus</i>	Double-spurred Francolin
c	<i>Ptilopachus petrosus</i>	Stone Partridge
+	<i>Burhinus senegalensis</i>	Senegal Thick-knee
+c	<i>Vanellus albiceps</i>	White-headed Plover
+	<i>Charadrius forbesi</i>	Forbes's Banded Plover
+	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	Wood Sandpiper
+	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>	Green Sandpiper
+c	<i>Tringa hypoleucos</i>	Common Sandpiper
+c	<i>Pluvianus aegyptius</i>	Crocodile Bird
c	<i>Pterocles quadricinctus</i>	Four-banded Sand-grouse
c	<i>Columba guinea</i>	Speckled Pigeon
	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>	Turtle Dove
c	<i>Streptopelia vinacea</i>	Vinaceous Dove
c	<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>	Laughing Dove
c	<i>Turtur afer</i>	Red-billed Wood-Dove
	<i>Turtur abyssinicus</i>	Black-bellied Wood-Dove
+c	<i>Treron waalia</i>	Yellow-bellied Fruit-Pigeon
c	<i>Poicephalus senegalus</i>	Senegal Parrot
c	<i>Tauraco leucolophus</i>	White-crested Turaco
c	<i>Musophaga violacea</i>	Violet Plain-tain-eater
+	<i>Crinifer piscator</i>	Grey Plain-tain-eater
+	<i>Centropus senegalensis</i>	Senegal Coucal
+	<i>Scotopelia peli</i>	Pel's Fishing-owl
*c	<i>Cypsiurus parvus</i>	Palm Swift
+	<i>Ceryle maxima</i>	Giant Kingfisher
+c	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>	Pied Kingfisher
*+	<i>Alcedo leucogaster</i>	White-bellied Kingfisher
c	<i>Halcyon leucocephala</i>	Grey-headed Kingfisher

CARTOGRAPHIE DES SECTEURS D'OBSERVATIONS

PARC NATIONAL DE LA BENOUE



- limites du Parc National de la Bénoué
 ||| zones prospectées (voiture et à pied)
 pistes suivies
 ### secteurs particulièrement fréquentés

	Merops pusillus	Little Bee-Eater
c	Merops bullocki	Red-throated Bee-Eater
c	Coracias abyssinica	Abyssinian Roller
	Coracias cyanogaster	Blue-bellied Roller
	Phoeniculus purpureus	Senegal Wood-hoopoe
*	Phoeniculus aterrimus	Lesser Wood-hoopoe
	Tockus nasutus	Grey Hornbill
	Tockus erythrorhynchus	Red-beaked Hornbill
	Bucorvus abyssinicus	Ground Hornbill
	Lybius dubius	Bearded Barbet
*c	Hirundo rustica	European Swallow
+c	Hirundo smithii	Wire-tailed Swallow
*+c	Hirundo spilodera preussi	Black-backed Crag Martin
c	Delichon urbica	European House Martin
+c	Motacilla flava	Yellow Wagtail
+c	Motacilla aguimp	African Pied Wagtail
+c	Anthus trivialis	Tree Pipit
	Prionops plumata	Long-crested Helmet-Shrike
*+	Laniarius erythrogaster	Black-headed Gonolek (1)
	Dicrurus adsimilis	Glossy-backed Drongo
c	Lamprotornis chalybaeus	Blue-eared Glossy Starling
c	Lamprotornis caudatus	Long-tailed Glossy Starling
	Buphagus africanus	Yellow-billed Oxpecker
c	Pycnonotus barbatus	Common Garden Bulbul
*	Phoenicurus phoenicurus	Redstart
*	Cossypha isabellae	Mountain Robin-Chat
*+	Cossypha albicapilla	White-crowned Robin-Chat
	Cossypha niveicapilla	Snowy-crowned Robin-Chat
*	Hypolais polyglotta	Melodious Warbler
*	Sylvietta brachyura	Nuthatch Warbler
c	Trochocercus longicauda	Blue Fairy Flycatcher
*	Anthreptes longuemarei	Violet-backed Sunbird
*	Anthreptes collaris	Collared Sunbird
+c	Anthreptes platura	Pigmy Long-tailed Sunbird
c	Nectarinia senegalensis	Scarlet-breasted Sunbird
*	Nectarinia coccinigaster	Splendid Sunbird
*	Emberiza cabanisi	Canan's Yellow Bunting
c	Serinus mozambicus	Yellow-fronted Canary
c	Passer griseus	Grey-headed Sparrow
c	Estrilda melpoda	Orange-cheeked Waxbill
c	Estrilda bengala	Red-cheeked Cordon-Bleu
c	Lagonosticta senegala	Senegal Fire-Finch

(1) En ce qui concerne Laniarius erythrogaster les 3 individus observés appartenaient à la forme orientale, qui a la tête entièrement noire.

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Turdus torquatus ON EL HIERRO (CANARY ISLANDS) - The Ring Ouzel (Turdus torquatus) is widely distributed in the Palearctic Region wintering mainly in the Mediterranean region and North Africa (Morocco, Algeria & Tunisia) (Voous, K.H. (1960). Atlas of European Birds. Nelson, London; Heinzel, H., Fitter, H. & Parslow, J. (1975). Manual de las aves de España y Europa, Norte de Africa y próximo Oriente. Omega, Barcelona. No published records of the species exist for the Macaronesian Region although R.J. Johns (pers. comm.) observed a female on 23 August 1975 in Las Cañadas on Tenerife at 2200 m a.s.l. During the second week of February 1987, a 2nd year female was picked up dead in the neighbourhood of Cruz de Los Reyes (Coord. U.T.M. 28RBR0170) on the island of El Hierro and was deposited in the collection of the Natural History Museum of Santa Cruz de Tenerife (TFMC Ornithologia N° 334).

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LAPWING Vanellus vanellus. NEW TO THE CAPE VERDE ISLANDS - On 23 and 24 December 1987, at the Salinas de Pedra de Luma on the island of Sal, Cape Verde Islands, I observed two Lapwings Vanellus vanellus in winter plumage. The birds stayed together and were seen foraging and resting as well as flying. They kept to the small vegetated edges of the salinas, which are situated in an old crater c. 1 km in diameter. A description of this habitat can be found in De Naurois and Bonnaffoux (1969). The Salinas de Pedra de Luma represent the only location in the Cape Verde Islands where larger concentrations of wintering Palearctic waders can be found. For instance, at the above dates the species present included Ringed Plover Charadrius hiaticula (5), Grey Plover Pluvialis squatarola (2), Sanderling Calidris alba (150+), Little Stint C. minuta (2), Curlew Sandpiper C. ferruginea (100+), Whimbrel Himantopus phaeopus (1), Redshank Tringa totanus (4), Greenshank T. nebularia (6), Common Sandpiper Actitis hypoleucos (1), and Turnstone Arenaria interpres (75). Furthermore, Black-winged Stilt Himantopus himantopus (75) and Kentish Plover C. alexandrinus (50), both local breeding species, were observed. Part of these may have been Palearctic visitors as well (cf De Naurois 1986). This appears to be the first record of Lapwing for the Cape Verde Islands. Neither Bannerman and Bannerman (1968) nor Cramp and Simmons (1983) mention the species for the archipelago. On the African mainland it occurs irregularly south to the Senegal delta (Urban et al. 1986).

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