

South Korea

1st February – 9th February 2017

This short trip was undertaken with Barry Reed and Mick Ilett. We self-drove and used Nial Moores of [Birds Korea](#) as a guide for the first four days and then birded on our own for the second half of the trip.

Itinerary

<https://tinyurl.com/vk3ppp33>

Weather

Quite a fluctuation in temperatures during our short time, from 8C down to -10C. Mostly dry.

Birds

Whooper Swan

Swan Goose – Han River, Seoul

Taiga Bean-Goose (middendorffii)

Tundra Bean Goose

White-fronted Goose

Lesser White-fronted Goose

Common Shelduck

Mandarin Duck

Eurasian Wigeon

Gadwall

Falcated Duck – Nakdong Estuary

Baikal Teal – Dongrim Reservoir

Common Teal

Mallard

Eastern Spot-billed Duck

Northern Pintail

Northern Shoveler

Common Pochard

Tufted Duck

Greater Scaup

Harlequin Duck

Black Scoter

Siberian White-winged Scoter

Common Goldeneye

Smew

Red-breasted Merganser

Scaly-sided Merganser

Goosander

Common Pheasant

Red-throated Diver

Black-throated Diver

Pacific Diver

White-billed Diver

Great Cormorant

Japanese Cormorant – Pohang Peninsula
Pelagic Cormorant
Little Egret
Great White Egret
Grey Heron
Oriental Stork – Julpori on 6th
Eurasian Spoonbill
Black-faced Spoonbill – Suncheon Wetlands
Little Grebe
Great Crested Grebe
Red-necked Grebe
Slavonian Grebe
Black-necked Grebe
Black-eared Kite
White-tailed Eagle
Steller's Sea-Eagle – Han River, Seoul
Cinereous Vulture
Hen Harrier
Northern Goshawk
Eurasian Sparrowhawk
Japanese Buzzard
Upland Buzzard
Imperial Eagle
Western Osprey
Common Kestrel
Peregrine
Coot
Hooded Crane – Suncheon Wetlands
Red-crowned Crane – Cheorwon
Sandhill Crane – Suncheon Wetlands
White-naped Crane – Cheorwon
Eastern Oystercatcher
Long-billed Plover – Han River, Seoul
Grey Plover
Sanderling
Dunlin
Solitary Snipe – Korea National Arboretum
Eurasian Curlew (orientalis)
Common Sandpiper
Green Sandpiper
Saunders's Gull – Nakdong Estuary & Suncheon Wetlands
Kittiwake
Black-headed Gull
Black-tailed Gull
Relict Gull – Nakdong Estuary
Kamchatka Gull
Vega Gull
Mongolian Gull

Slaty-backed Gull
Glaucous Gull
Ancient Murrelet – Pohang Peninsula & Geojin-ri
Rhinoceros Auklet – Pohang Peninsula & Geojin-ri
Rock Dove (Feral)
Rufous Turtle Dove
Gray-headed Woodpecker – Namhansanseong
Pygmy Woodpecker – Korea National Arboretum
Great Spotted Woodpecker
White-backed Woodpecker – Korea National Arboretum & Namhansanseong
Bull-headed Shrike
Eurasian Magpie
Eurasian Jay
Azure-winged Magpie – Han River, Seoul
Carrion Crow
Large-billed Crow
Goldcrest
Chinese Penduline-Tit – Suncheon Wetlands
Varied Tit
Japanese Tit
Coal Tit
Yellow-bellied Tit – Korea National Arboretum
Asian Marsh Tit
Eastern Sky Lark
Long-tailed Tit
Vinous-throated Parrotbill
Japanese White-eye – Daedaepo Park
Eurasian Nuthatch
White-cheeked Starling – Suncheon Wetlands
Brown Dipper
Brown-eared Bulbul
Pale Thrush – Daedaepo Park
Dusky Thrush
Naumann's Thrush
Red-flanked Bluetail
Daurian Redstart
Eastern Blue Rock-Thrush
Siberian Accentor – Namhansanseong
Eastern Tree Sparrow
Black-backed Wagtail
Japanese Wagtail
Tree Pipit
Red-throated Pipit
Siberian Buff-bellied Pipit
Brambling
Asian Rosy-Finch – Taebaek
Oriental Greenfinch
Pallas's Rosefinch – Taebaek on 8th, heard Korea National Arboretum

Long-tailed Rosefinch – Korea National Arboretum & Taebaek on 3rd

Hawfinch

Snow Bunting – Taebaek

Grey Bunting – Daedaepo Park

Pine Bunting

Meadow Bunting

Rustic Bunting

Yellow-throated Bunting

Little Bunting

Reed Bunting

Pallas's Reed Bunting – Suncheon Wetlands

Mammals

Eurasian Red Squirrel

Siberian Chipmunk

Chinese Water Deer

Photos

<https://goo.gl/photos/SdxjSE38kiv7rgQv9>

Daily Lists

2nd – Korea National Arboretum – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34104841>

2nd – Cheorwon-DMZ – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34104840>

3rd – Han River, Seoul – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34125479>

3rd – Taebaek – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34125478>

4th – Pohang Peninsula – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34149918>

4th – Beomgongni – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34149918>

5th – Nakdong Estuary – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34181152>

5th – Daedaepo Park – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34181151>

5th – Nakdong Estuary – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34181150>

5th – Jinju – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34181149>

6th – Suncheon Wetlands – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34197023>

6th – Julpori – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34197053>

6th – Dongrim Reservoir – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34197016>

7th – Julpori – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34237226>

7th – Dongrim Reservoir – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34237225>

7th – Eoji-ri – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34237225>

8th – Taebaek – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34237754>

8th – Geojin-ri – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34237753>

9th – Namhansanseong – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34295549>

9th – Han River, Seoul – <http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S34295548>