

Birding Extremadura and Casa Rural El Recuerdo

HOLIDAY REPORT FOR JULIE AND GEOFF

Itinerary



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Trip report

Day 1: 13th May 2015: Transfer from Madrid to Casa Rural El Recuerdo with stop near the Valdecañas Dam.

Unusually high temperatures were the feature of mid-May this year and today for the first day of the holiday, the temperatures were reaching 38 degrees. Julie and Geoff were met at Madrid airport at just past 11.00 and we headed out of Madrid, via the southern ring road and made a stop for coffee about 130 km from the city. **Crested Larks** were present around the forecourt of the service station. We continued to Extremadura and climbed a small valley near the Valdecañas dam for our picnic. It was a steep-sided valley with mixed woodland and it proved so productive for wildlife that we spent the remainder of the afternoon there!

The first thing of note was the sound of **Golden Orioles** and **Nightingales**. We also had excellent views of **Hawfinches** and **Egyptian Vulture**, as well as a fine **Spanish Imperial Eagle** and brief views of a **White-rumped Swift**. **Bee-eaters** hawked insect at the tree-tops, whilst **Subalpine** and **Sardinian Warblers** sang from the scrub.

However, the butterflies were equally enthralling with **False Ilex Hairstreak** feeding on the flowering *retama* bushes, **Long-tailed Blue**, a **Large Tortoiseshell** and **Spanish Marbled White**. A **Marsh Fritillary** took a fancy to Julie's binoculars and **Spanish Gatekeepers** were very busy close to the ground.

It was hard to tear ourselves away from the scene, but eventually we withdrew in order to continue our journey to Casa Rural El Recuerdo, where a **Nightingale** sang in welcome greeting.

In the evening, Julie and Geoff took a walk on a nearby lane and were well rewarded with the sight of perhaps four **Red-necked Nightjars**.

Day 2: 14th May 2015: Visiting Trujillo

Julie and Geoff spent a "free" day visiting Trujillo to explore the beautiful historic centre, with its wildlife interests including **White Storks**, **Lesser Kestrels** and **Common** and **Pallid Swifts**. The Bull Ring also provided a great opportunity of watching the **Lesser Kestrels** at close range.

Day 3: 15th May 2015: The plains west of Trujillo near Santa Marta de Magasca.

It was a windier and cooler day today, in fact good conditions to visit the plains west of Trujillo as the heat haze would be less of a challenge for the first few hours of the day. At our first stop we were regaled by the sound of **Thekla** and **Crested Larks** singing and the sight of an **Iberian Grey Shrike** atop a nearby bush. We found a female **Great Bustard** that by its behaviour strongly suggested that hidden in the long grass where it was walking were its chicks. As we stood our attention was

drawn to the sound of **Pin-tailed Sandgrouse** and we enjoyed the sight of a small party of these attractively patterned birds in excellent light approaching us and then descending to a nearby pool to drink. Further along we stopped to watch **Woodchat Shrikes** and **Bee-eaters** feeding from the fences, each swooping after large insects, the shrikes searching on the ground, the bee-eaters in the air. Here the sound was dominated by the mimetic song of **Calandra Lark**, with perfect renditions of Green Sandpipers frequently produced.

Nearby we admired the buoyant elegant flight of a **Montagu's Harrier** out on its morning hunt and **Short-toed Larks** were seen on the open dirt track. We then headed to an area where nestboxes were in place for **Rollers** and saw several pairs had taken up residence, as had both **Common** and **Lesser Kestrel**, and a charming **Little Owl** that leant against its box with almost a proprietorial pride.

Beside the Tamuja River we watched a **Short-toed Eagle** gliding in the blue sky, whilst after coffee in the village of Santa Marta de Magasca, we took lunch beside the River Magasca. **Cirl Buntings** sang from the wooded valley side and a **Kingfisher** was seen darting along the river. We also found an **Ant Lion** in the dry roadside vegetation. Just around the corner, as the road ascended through open *dehesa* woodland, a *scabius* flowered on the verge. This had attracted not just more **Ant Lions**, but an astonishing number of butterflies, especially **Meadow Browns**, **Clouded Yellows**, **Spanish Marbled Whites** and a beautiful **Knapweed Fritillary**.



At the top of the ascent we stopped again and watched several **Montagu's Harriers**: superb views against the background of the vast landscape. There were at least ten

seen here. Across the sky passed a **Black Vulture**. As we returned to Trujillo, we found an adult and two juvenile **Egyptian Vultures** on the ground, with nearby **Black Kites**.

Day 4: 16th May 2015: The plains near Campo Lugar, Alcollarín Reservoir and rice fields near Palazuelo



We started the day again on open plains, this time south of the town of Zorita, near the village of Campo Lugar. As we entered the area we had fabulous views of a female **Montagu's Harrier**. What then followed was an unforgettable two hours of birding. Just a few metres down the lane we stopped to admire a **Swallowtail** butterfly in the verge. Far to the left of the road, on a fence along the skyline, we noticed a party of **Lesser Kestrels** feeding, leaving their perches and gliding low over the tall grass, making plunges to collect grasshoppers. Checking these with binoculars we noted that one was a bit smaller and all dark! With the telescope it was clear that it was a male **Red-footed Falcon**! As we watched it, two **Little Bustard** males started to chase each other across the field of view. It soon became clear that there was another male present as well, and then we found a more patterned male, a younger bird. A minute or so later, a strikingly patterned female was seen. Then it was clear that there was a third adult male present, thus we had found five birds: the largest group ever seen of **Red-footed Falcon** in Extremadura.



Fortunately a male and female crossed the road and we got rather closer views of them. Sometimes a **Little Owl** shared the same field of view, standing on a pile of stones. As they moved away to the right, we saw that in the field to the south of the road there were **Great Bustards** present, so we advanced along the road to a higher section, which gave us better views of the bustards – all colourful males. Two **Black-bellied Sandgrouse** flew over at close range and a **Stone Curlew** was heard calling in the distance. As we had approached that section of the road, one of the male **Red-footed Falcons** flew up from a nearby fence. As we stood there the male **Red-footed Falcon** glided low across the field and returned to perch on the fence. We had superb views of it preening. Eventually it took off, showing well its pale grey sheen on the upper wing, almost looking whitish on a front view, and glided in wide circles, gaining great height until it disappeared from view.

Throughout all of this time, we were surrounded too by lark song and occasional lines of vultures passing overhead.

We stopped for coffee near Campo Lugar, where on an old grain silo, **House Martins** looked like bees at a hive as they rose to their nests. We then moved to the Alcollarín Reservoir. We birded on the western shore, watching a wonderful assemblage of **Terns (Gull-billed, Little and Black)** and **Collared Pratincoles** hawking insects, as well as masses of **Great Crested Grebes** and a small collection of waders, including five **Curlew Sandpiper** in breeding plumage. On the other side of the reservoir, there was a wooded area where we had the picnic, beside a smaller pool. Here there was a pair of **Ferruginous Duck** and hordes of **Cattle Egrets**. There was also a good selection of dragonflies, whilst a pair of **Woodchat Shrikes** were feeding young.

We completed the afternoon passing through the rice growing area near Palazuelo. Some of the fields were flooded, others still dry earth and most were devoid of birds. However we came across a small number with waders, including **Kentish Plover**, **Avocet** and a fine-breeding plumage **Wood Sandpiper**.



Day 5: 17th May 2015: The Guadiana River near Mérida, Almendralejo, Alange and Mérida

Today we headed further south, making our first stop beside the Guadiana River south of Merida. The gallery woodland here was full of **Golden Orioles** and **Nightingales** and we had good views of a **Melodious Warbler** in full song. One target here was **Isabelline (Western Olivaceous Warbler)** and although we heard one bird calling and another in song, the dense vegetation made it impossible to get views of either. We then went further south, beside the town of Almendralejo, where in an intensively farmed area of olives and vineyards we found a total of three **Rufous Bush Robins**. There was initially little activity, but with patience we obtained good views of a singing bird, as it perched on top of tall milk thistles.

Following coffee, we visited the dam of Alange, where **Alpine Swifts** wheeled and we stopped for lunch beside the rocky outcrop nearby. As soon as we had arrived a pair of **Bonelli's Eagles** appeared: wonderful views, repeated again as we were ready to leave. The site also produced **Black Wheatear** and **Blue Rock Thrush**, with Geoff also getting a brief view of what may have been a female **Red-tailed Rock Thrush**, which would have been a late passage bird.

The rest of the afternoon was spent very memorably on the old Roman Bridge crossing the Guadiana River in the centre of the city of Mérida. Here we had amazing views of **Penduline Tit**, a feeding **Black-crowned Night Heron**, passing **Purple Herons**, as well as **Little Bitterns** coming to feed two chicks. We even saw an **Otter**. **Pallid**, **Common** and **Alpine Swifts** came in to their nests below the arches of the bridge. It was a tremendous way to conclude a highly productive day.



Day 6: 18th May 2015: Monfragüe National Park

Today was dedicated to the Monfragüe National Park and was again a hot, sunny day. We made an initial pause in an area of scrub where we had good views of **Dartford** and **Subalpine Warblers**, as well as singing **Thelka Larks**. Stopping then at the Portilla del Tiétar, we watched the downy **Spanish Imperial Eagle** chick on its nest, as well as wonderful views of its parents soaring above. We were delighted to both hear and watch **Turtle Doves** as well as a **Common Cuckoo**, which at one stage landed on the same bare tree as a **Turtle Dove**: a juxtaposition of two special birds. A **Rock Bunting** and **Subalpine Warbler** also gave good views.

At one stage a **Hobby** soared amongst the swifts and hirundines above the crag whilst a female **Common Kestrel** passed several times carrying what look like lizards to a nest somewhere downstream. On one occasion as it returned it was clearly distracted and made a few swoops over a section of the rock face. On close examination we were delighted to find the cause of its anxiety: a fledged **Eagle Owl** chick, looking at bit like a soft fluffy toy!

We had coffee in an area of cork oak, where we had good views of our first **Spanish Purple Hairstreak** and a fleeting glimpse of a **Two-tailed Pasha**. **Rock Sparrows** and **Nuthatches** called from the trees. After lunch in the shade of pine trees, we stopped to look at a male **Black-eared Wheatear** and then took a walk beside the Tajo River, in the shade of mixed woodland. Second brood very fresh **Nettle Tree Butterflies** were taking minerals from damp patches on the track, accompanied with a **Large Tortoiseshell** and a **Spanish Purple Hairstreak**. Ice-creams then provided further refreshment for our final stop beside the massive Peña Falcon rock, watching **Peregrine**, hordes of **vultures**, as well as fine male **Black Redstart** and **Blue Rock Thrushes**.

Day 7: 19th May 2015: Heaths and woodlands near Jaraicejo, Arrocampo Reservoir and return to Madrid.

With car packed for the return to Madrid, we stopped to spend a very enjoyable morning on the lavender and broom heath near Jaraicejko. Here we had excellent views of **Dartford** and **Spectacled Warblers**, the former in great abundance. A track took us down to an almost magical cork oak woodland, where we watched a **Cardinal Butterfly**, **Short-toed Treecreeper** and whilst **Spotted Rock Rose** grew along the track. Nearby, beside the Arroyo de la Vid, **Nightingales** not just sang but afforded us excellent views, whilst **Melodious** and **Subalpine Warblers** were also present. We could hear distant **Western Orphean Warblers** singing, but just briefly, so we decided to explore the edge of cork oak woodland nearby. As we approached we had good views of a **Spotted Flycatcher**. Then a bird flew into a nearby cork oak and we had brief but clear views of a **Western Orphean Warbler**, a large chunky bird.

After coffee to celebrate, we proceeded to the Arrocampo Reservoir. Here we had lunch whilst watching **Little Bittern**, **Purple Swamphen** and **Squacco Heron**, as well as several **Purple Herons**. At another section of the marsh we found two singing **Savi's Warblers** as well as two **Bearded Tits**, more **Little Bittern** and a **Black-crowned Night Heron**. We completed our visit standing beside more open water, watching **Gull-billed Terns** and enjoying the sight of **Banded Groundling** dragonflies in the sun-baked ground.

We then headed off to Madrid, reaching the airport just before 18.00, as planned.

Annotated list of species

Birds

1. **Egyptian Goose**: Seen at Alcollarín Reservoir.
2. **Gadwall**: Seen at Alcollarín Reservoir.
3. **Mallard**: Seen daily.
4. **Shoveler**: A pair at Alcollarín on 16th May.
5. **Common Pochard**: 6 at Alcollarín on 16th May.
6. **Ferruginous Duck**: A pair at Alcollarín on 16th May.
7. **Shelduck**: 4 at Alcollarín on 16th May.
8. **Red-legged Partridge**: Seen most days.
9. **Little Grebe**: Seen at Alcollarín.

10. **Great Crested Grebe:** Seen at Alcollarín and Arrocampo.
11. **Black-necked Grebe:** One at Alcollarín on 16th May.
12. **Great Cormorant:** Seen at Alcollarín and Arrocampo.
13. **Little Bittern:** Seen at Roman Bridge Mérida on 17th May (including two chicks) and at Arrocampo.
14. **Black-crowned Night Heron:** Excellent views from Roman Bridge Mérida and also at Arrocampo.
15. **Squacco Heron:** One at Arrocampo on 19th May.
16. **Cattle Egret:** Seen most days.
17. **Little Egret:** Seen at Alcollarín, Mérida and Arrocampo.
18. **Great Egret:** Seen at Alcollarín and Arrocampo.
19. **Grey Heron:** Seen most days.
20. **Purple Heron:** Seen at Alcollarín, Mérida and Arrocampo.
21. **Black Stork:** Seen in flight over River Magasca, seven seen in Monfragüe (including three chicks) and one near Jaraicejo on 19th May.
22. **White Stork:** Seen daily.
23. **Spoonbill:** A party of about nine at Alcollarín on 16th May.
24. **Egyptian Vulture:** Seen at Valdecañas, on plains north of Trujillo, Monfragüe and near Jaraicejo.
25. **Griffon Vulture:** Seen daily.
26. **Black Vulture:** Seen almost every day.
27. **Spanish Imperial Eagle:** One at Valdecañas on 13th May and two adults (plus chick) at Monfragüe on 18th May.
28. **Short-toed Eagle:** Seen at River Tamuja on 15th May and near Jaraicejo on 19th May.
29. **Booted Eagle:** Seen almost daily.
30. **Bonelli's Eagle:** A pair at Alange dam on 17th May.
31. **Black Kite:** Seen daily.
32. **Red Kite:** Seen on all but two days, but usually single birds.
33. **Marsh Harrier:** Seen on Campo Lugar plains, Alcollarín and Arrocampo.
34. **Montagu's Harrier:** Seen near Santa Marta de Magasca, Campo Lugar and one at Monfragüe on 18th May.
35. **Common Buzzard:** Seen most days.
36. **Lesser Kestrel:** Seen daily.
37. **Common Kestrel:** Seen near Santa Marta de Magasca and in Monfragüe.
38. **Red-footed Falcon:** Five birds seen on Campo Lugar plains on 16th May: one of the highlights of the week.
39. **Hobby:** One in Monfragüe on 18th May.
40. **Peregrine:** One in Monfragüe on 18th May.
41. **Water Rail:** One calling at Arrocampo.
42. **Moorhen:** Seen at Mérida and Arrocampo.
43. **Purple Swamphen:** Several at Arrocampo on 19th May.
44. **Common Coot:** Seen at Alcollarín, Mérida and Arrocampo.
45. **Little Bustard:** Two males on Campo Lugar plains on 16th May.
46. **Great Bustard:** One female near Santa Marta de Magasca on 15th May and about 13 males near Campo Lugar on 16th.
47. **Black-winged Stilt:** Seen on pool near Santa Marta de Magasca, at Alcollarín and on rice fields.
48. **Avocet:** Two on rice fields near Palazuelo on 16th May.
49. **Stone Curlew:** calling on Campo Lugar plains on 16th May.

50. **Collared Pratincole:** About ten present at Alcollarín on 16th May.
51. **Ringed Plover:** One at Alcollarín and two on rice fields on 16th May.
52. **Little Ringed Plover:** One at River Magasca and also seen on rice fields.
53. **Kentish Plover:** Nine on rice fields on 16th May.
54. **Northern Lapwing:** One at Alcollarín and about 40 on rice fields on 16th May.
55. **Curlew Sandpiper:** Five at Alcollarín on 16th May.
56. **Dunlin:** One at Alcollarín on 16th May.
57. **Common Redshank:** One at Alcollarín on 16th May.
58. **Greenshank:** Eight on rice fields on 16th May.
59. **Wood Sandpiper:** One on rice fields on 16th May.
60. **Common Sandpiper:** Two at Alcollarín on 16th May.
61. **Black Tern:** Four at Alcollarín on 16th May.
62. **Gull-billed Tern:** Seen at Alcollarín, Mérida and Arrocampo.
63. **Little Tern:** Five at Alcollarín on 16th May.
64. **Black-headed Gull:** Seen at Alcollarín and on rice fields.
65. **Black-bellied Sandgrouse:** Six on Campo Lugar Plains on 16th May.
66. **Pin-tailed Sandgrouse:** About 15 seen west of Trujillo on 15th May.
67. **Rock Dove/Feral Pigeon:** Seen daily.
68. **Wood Pigeon:** Seen daily.
69. **Collared Dove:** Seen daily.
70. **Turtle Dove:** Heard at Pago de San Clemente one morning and seen in Monfragüe on 18th May.
71. **Common Cuckoo:** Heard and seen on several days.
72. **Scops Owl:** Calling every evening at Pago de San Clemente.
73. **Eagle Owl:** Fledged chick seen at Monfragüe on 18th May.
74. **Little Owl:** Seen on plains near Santa Marta de Magasca and Campo Lugar.
75. **Red-necked Nightjar:** Seen at Pago de San Clemente on 13th May and heard most evenings.
76. **Alpine Swift:** Seen at Alange, Mérida and Monfragüe.
77. **Common Swift:** Seen daily.
78. **Pallid Swift:** Seen in Trujillo, near Santa Marta de Magasca and at Mérida.
79. **White-rumped Swift:** One near Valdecañas dam on 13th May.
80. **Kingfisher:** Seen on several days.
81. **Bee-eater:** Seen daily.
82. **Roller:** Seen near Santa Marta de Magasca and Campo Lugar.
83. **Hoopoe:** Seen daily.
84. **Great Spotted Woodpecker:** One drumming south of Mérida.
85. **Lesser Spotted Woodpecker:** Seen twice at Casa Rural El Recuerdo.
86. **Calandra Lark:** Seen on the plains near Santa Marta de Magasca and Campo Lugar.
87. **Short-toed Lark:** Seen on the plains near Santa Marta de Magasca and Campo Lugar.
88. **Crested Lark:** Seen daily.
89. **Thekla Lark:** Seen on several days.
90. **Woodlark:** Heard in Monfragüe and seen near Jaraicejo.
91. **Sand Martin:** Seen at Arrocampo.
92. **Crag Martin:** Seen almost daily.
93. **Barn Swallow:** Seen daily.
94. **Red-rumped Swallow:** Seen daily.
95. **House Martin:** Seen daily.

96. **Yellow Wagtail:** Two on rice fields near Palazuelo on 16th May.
97. **White Wagtail:** Seen on two days.
98. **Wren:** Seen or heard on several days.
99. **Rufous Bush Robin:** Three seen near Almendralejo on 17th May.
100. **Robin:** Present at Valdecañas and Monfragüe.
101. **Nightingale:** Seen daily.
102. **Black Redstart:** Seen at Pago de San Clemente and in Monfragüe.
103. **Stonechat:** Seen almost daily.
104. **Black-eared Wheatear:** One male in Monfragüe on 18th May.
105. **Black Wheatear:** One male at Alange on 17th May.
106. **Blue Rock Thrush:** Seen at Alange and Monfragüe.
107. **Rufous-tailed Rock Thrush:** One possible female at Alange on 17th May.
108. **Blackbird:** Seen daily.
109. **Mistle Thrush:** Seen in Monfragüe.
110. **Cetti's Warbler:** Seen or heard almost daily.
111. **Zitting Cisticola:** Seen almost daily.
112. **Savi's Warbler:** Seen at Arrocampo on 19th May.
113. **Reed Warbler:** Seen in Mérida and Arrocampo.
114. **Great Reed Warbler:** Seen on rice fields, Mérida and Arrocampo.
115. **Melodious Warbler:** Seen at Mérida and Jaraicejo.
116. **Isabelline (Western Olivaceous) warbler:** Singing near Mérida on 17th May.
117. **Dartford Warbler:** Seen in Monfragüe and Jaraicejo.
118. **Spectacled Warbler:** Several males near Jaraicejo on 19th May.
119. **Subalpine Warbler:** Seen at Valdecañas, Monfragüe and Jaraicejo.
120. **Sardinian Warbler:** Seen almost daily.
121. **Western Orphean Warbler:** Heard in Monfragüe and seen near Jaraicejo on 19th May.
122. **Blackcap:** Singing near rice fields, near Mérida and in Monfragüe.
123. **Spotted Flycatcher:** one near Jaraicejo on 19th May.
124. **Long-tailed Tit:** Seen on two days.
125. **Blue Tit:** Seen almost daily.
126. **Great Tit:** Seen almost daily.
127. **Bearded Tit:** Two at Arrocampo on 19th May.
128. **Nuthatch:** Seen at Monfragüe.
129. **Short-toed Treecreeper:** Seen or heard at Valdecañas, Monfragüe and Jaraicejo.
130. **Penduline Tit:** One seen at Mérida on 17th May.
131. **Golden Oriole:** Seen at Valdecañas, near Mérida, Monfragüe and Jaraicejo.
132. **Iberian Grey Shrike:** Seen on several days.
133. **Woodchat Shrike:** Seen almost daily.
134. **Jay:** Seen in Monfragüe.
135. **Azure-winged Magpie:** Seen daily.
136. **Magpie:** Seen daily.
137. **Jackdaw:** Seen on several days.
138. **Raven:** Seen almost daily.
139. **Spotless Starling:** Seen daily.
140. **House Sparrow:** Seen daily.

141. **Spanish Sparrow:** Seen on several days.
142. **Tree Sparrow:** Seen on rice fields and near Mérida.
143. **Rock Sparrow:** Recorded in Monfragüe.
144. **Common Waxbill:** Seen near Mérida.
145. **Chaffinch:** Seen almost daily.
146. **Serin:** Seen almost daily.
147. **Greenfinch:** Seen almost daily.
148. **Goldfinch:** Seen daily.
149. **Linnet:** Seen on several days, including a fine male at Jaraicejo.
150. **Hawfinch:** Seen at Valdecañas, near Santa Marta de Magasca and Monfragüe.
151. **Cirl Bunting:** Two singing beside River Magasca,
152. **Rock Bunting:** Seen in Monfragüe.
153. **Corn Bunting:** Seen daily.

Butterflies

1. **Swallowtail:** Seen on plains and at Arrocampo.
2. **Small White:** Seen daily.
3. **Bath White:** Seen most days.
4. **Clouded Yellow:** Seen daily.
5. **Cleopatra:** Seen at Valdecañas, River Magasca and Monfragüe.
6. **Spanish Purple hairstreak:** Seen in Monfragüe.
7. **False Ilex Hairstreak:** Seen almost daily.
8. **Small Copper:** Seen on several days.
9. **Lang's Short-tailed Blue:** Seen in Monfragüe.
10. **Holly Blue:** Seen most days.
11. **Black-eyed Blue:** Seen at Valdecañas.
12. **Brown Argus:** Seen most days.
13. **Nettle-tree Butterfly:** Seen in Monfragüe.
14. **Two-tailed Pasha:** Seen in Monfragüe.
15. **Large Tortoiseshell:** Seen at Valdecañas and Monfragüe.
16. **Red Admiral:** Seen in Monfragüe.
17. **Painted Lady:** Seen on the plains.
18. **Comma:** Seen at Pago de San Clemente.
19. **Cardinal:** Seen at Jaraicejo.
20. **Knapweed Fritillary:** Seen near Santa Marta de Magasca.
21. **Marsh Fritillary:** Seen at Valdecañas and Pago de San Clemente.
22. **Spanish Marbled White:** Seen almost daily.
23. **Meadow Brown:** Seen daily.
24. **Southern Gatekeeper:** Seen almost daily.
25. **Spanish Gatekeeper:** Seen at Valdecañas and Monfragüe.
26. **Small Heath:** Seen almost daily.
27. **Speckled Wood:** Seen almost daily.
28. **Red-underwing Skipper:** Seen at Valdecañas.
29. **Small Skipper:** Seen almost daily.
30. **Lulworth Skipper:** One seen near Santa Marta de Magasca.

Dragonflies

1. **Small Red-eye:** Seen at Alcollarín.
2. **Iberian Bluetail:** Seen at Arrocampo.
3. **Blue Emperor:** Seen near Santa Marta de Magasca and Alcollarín.
4. **Lesser Emperor:** Seen at Alcollarín, near Mérida and Arrocampo.
5. **Northern Banded Groundling:** Seen at Arrocampo.
6. **Black-tailed Skimmer:** Seen at Alcollarín.
7. **Long Skimmer:** Seen at Arrocampo.
8. **Red-veined Darter:** Seen at Alcollarín.
9. **Common Darter:** Seen at Alcollarín.