

Birding Extremadura and Casa Rural El Recuerdo
HOLIDAY REPORT FOR DEREK TUTT'S GROUP
BUTTERFLIES, DRAGONFLIES AND BIRDS IN EXTREMADURA AND THE
GREDOS MOUNTAINS



Itinerary

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Trip report

Day 1: 20th May 2015: Transfer from Madrid to Casa Rural El Recuerdo with stop at Arrocampo.

Shortly after 11.00 Martin met Derek, Zena, John, Phyllis, Graham and David at Madrid airport. After loading up the minivan, we set off around the Madrid ring road and on to the motorway for Extremadura. Soon we were spotting **Black Kites** and **White Storks** as we travelled south-westwards. We stopped for lunch at a service station after a couple of hours, where **Barn Swallows** were nesting in the porch and **Crested Larks** walked across the forecourt.

We made an afternoon stop at the reservoir of Arrocampo. Immediately after leaving the vehicle, we found **Banded Groundling** and **Long Skimmers**, two species that have colonised Spain from Africa. **Swallowtails** moved above the tall grasses whilst we also saw **Little Bitterns** making regular flights over the *Typha* as they brought food for their chicks. At every stop we made we could hear the incessant begging calls of young **Purple Herons**.

From another observation point we found a pair of **Ferruginous Duck**, as well as **Purple Swamphen** and more **Purple Herons**. **Savi's Warblers** reeled from the emergent vegetation. The dragonflies were also present such as **Broad Scarlet** and **Iberian Bluetail** amongst others.

By late afternoon it was time to move on, so we continued our journey to Casa Rural El Recuerdo.

Day 2: 21st May 2015: Plains of Campo Lugar, Alcollarín Reservoir and Sierra Brava.

Today we headed south to spend the morning on the plains near the village of Campo Lugar. They had the blond appearance of early summer, with the drying grasses providing a uniform hue, broken only by the spectacular **Cardoon Thistles**. **Calandra Larks** sang on all sides and we found **Great Bustards** quietly moving through the tall vegetation, whilst **Lesser Kestrels** hovered above, searching for grasshoppers. After coffee near the village, where **House Martins** were a wonderful sight at their colony on an old silo, we moved onto the Alcollarín Reservoir. Here we had lunch beside a small dam where **Woodchat Shrikes** were feeding young and a good selection of dragonflies kept us entertained, including **Blue-eyes**, **Small Red-eyes** and **Epaulet Skimmers**. **False Ilex Hairstreaks** nectared on the **Retama** blossom and nearby we had superb views of **Hawfinches** feeding on milk thistle seeds.

On the reservoir there was a good selection of birds, including **Gull-billed**, **Black** and **Little Terns**, **Collared Pratincoles** and large numbers of **Great Crested Grebes**, amongst which there were four **Black-necked Grebes**.

We returned across the plains and made a brief visit to the Sierra Brava reservoir before heading back home. That evening **Red-necked Nightjars** were watched on the hillside near the village.

Day 3: 22nd May 2015: The plains west of Trujillo near Santa Marta de Magasca and Castañar del Ibor.

We made an initial visit to the plains west of Trujillo, where **Calandra**, **Thekla** and **Crested Larks** again were the key protagonists. We then travelled east to Castañar del Ibor for a walk through Sweet Chestnut and Pyrenean Oak woodland. The focus was on the butterflies and dragonflies in this area of limestone hills. The former included species like **Green-veined White**, **Wood White**, **Southern White Admiral**, **Amanda's Blue** and Fritillaries such as **Queen of Spain**, **Provençal** and **Marsh. Beautiful Demoiselles** flitted along the glades. On our descent back to the minivan, the urgent alarm calls of **Nightingales** alerted us and we watched a large **Montpellier Snake** being mobbed by them, presumably having a nest nearby.



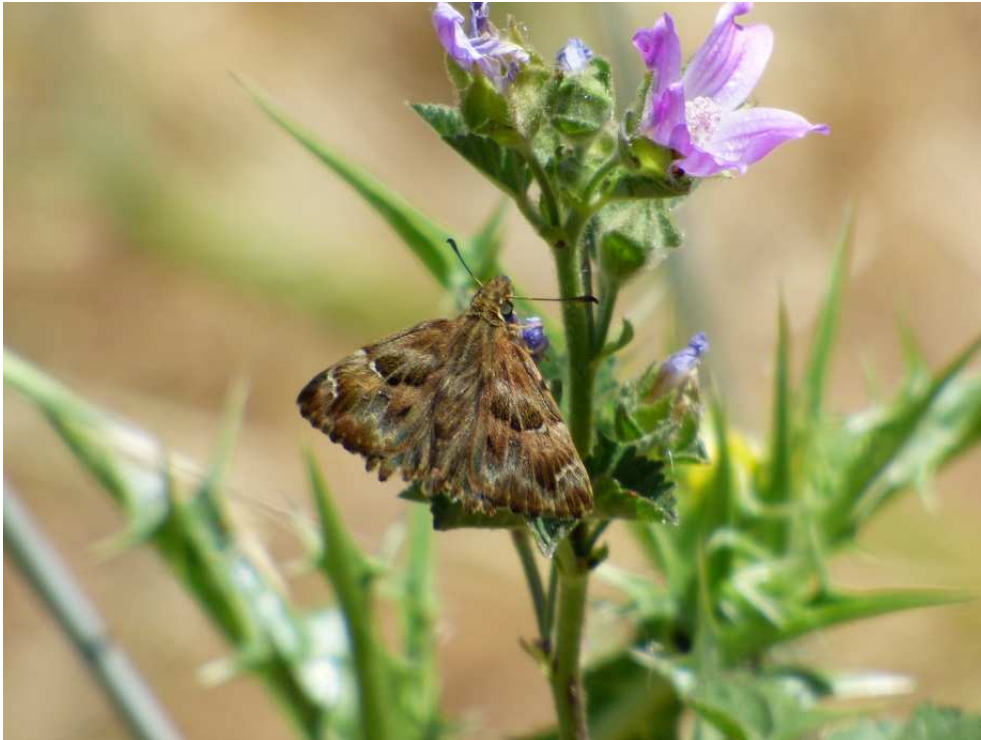
Amanda's Blue

Day 4: 23rd May 2015: Villafranca de los Barros, Alange, Guadiana River near Mérida and Roman Bridge, Mérida

Heading from the village we had good views of **Great Spotted Cuckoo** in an area of **Retama** scrub. We drove south, entering the vast landscape devoted to intensive olive and wine production of the Tierra de Barros. In this seemingly wildlife-devoid environment we found and had excellent views of a singing **Rufous Bush Robin**, using the thistles along a small water course as song perches. **Crested Larks** were the only other species present. Following coffee we moved to the dam at Alange,

which boasts the largest **Alpine Swift** colony in Extremadura. We had lunch beside the dam, looking up onto crags which had **Blue Rock Thrush** and **Black Wheatear**.

We then took a walk beside the Guadiana River, through varied riverine habitats: oleander and tamarisk scrub, poplar groves and willows. **Nightingales** and **Golden Oriole** were present and along a mill-race, **Blue-eye damselflies** were in tandem. A **Melodious Warbler** sang and then we heard a different song, more like a musical Reed Warbler. It was an **Isabelline Warbler**, and we eventually managed to get views of the bird as it sang in the afternoon light from branches of a eucalyptus tree on the opposite bank of the mill race.



Mallow Skipper

We completed the afternoon on the Roman Bridge crossing the Guadiana River in Mérida. Here we enjoyed excellent views of swifts (**Alpine**, **Pallid** and **Common**) as well as **Little Bittern**, **Black-crowned Night Heron**, **Purple Heron** and **Penduline Tit**.



The group beside the Roman Bridge in Mérida

Day 5: 24th May 2015: Monfragüe National Park

We spent most of the day at the Monfragüe National park, making our first stop at the Portilla del Tiétar where we had superb views of two adult **Spanish Imperial Eagles** and the large chick on the nest. Birds like **Subalpine Warbler** and Rock Bunting were also present, whilst **Turtle Doves** purred. At our coffee stop, we had the opportunity of watching butterflies in the grass in the cork oak grove, finding **African Grass Blue**. We moved slowly through the park, stopping for lunch in the shade of pines and then taking a walk beside the Tajo River. This was productive for butterflies with species like **Nettle Tree Butterfly** as well as **Western Clubtail** dragonfly.



Western Clubtail

We made a final stop at the massive rock face of Peña Falcón, where the large colony of **Griffon Vultures**.

We took a short walk beside the River Almonte, where **Broad Scarlets** were present.

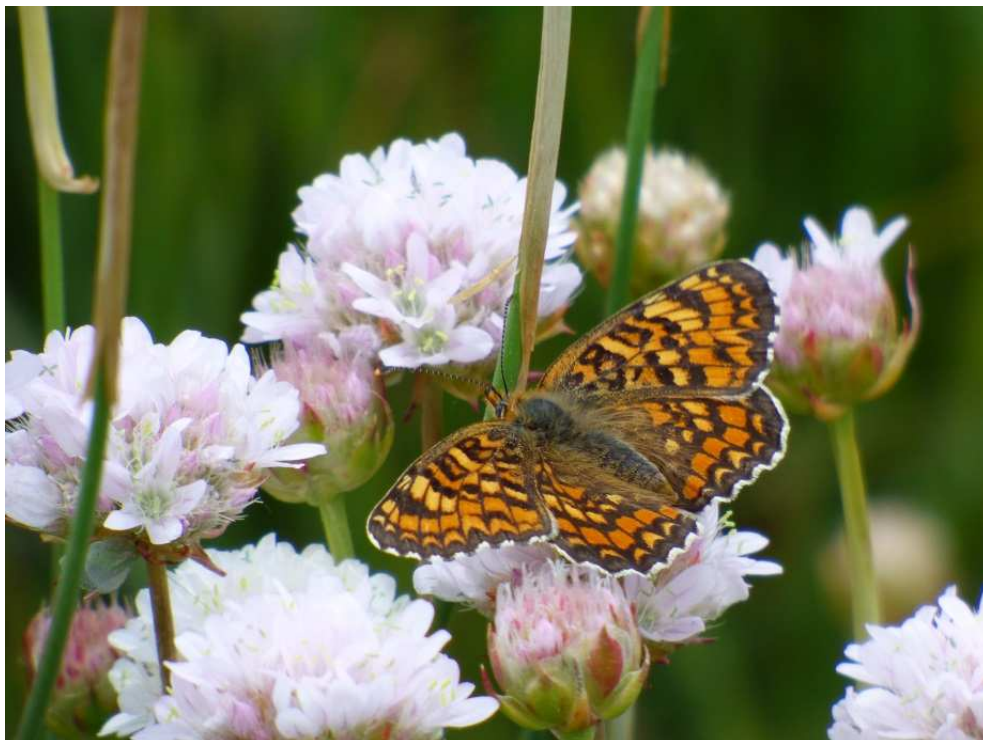
Day 6: 25th May 2015: Saucedilla, Jaraiz lake, Gredos Mountains

We made our farewell at Casa Rural El Recuerdo and started the second leg of the holiday. We made an initial visit to the farmland behind the village of Saucedilla, hoping to find Black-winged Kite, but without success. We then headed to La Vera, the southern slopes of the Gredos Mountains where we had coffee outside Jaraiz and found a very obliging **Spanish Purple Hairstreak**. We then took a morning walk followed by our picnic at the Jaraiz lake. The deciduous woodland around the lake was very productive for both birds (**Lesser Spotted Woodpeckers**) and butterflies with species such as **Southern White Admiral** and **Spanish Gatekeeper**.



Spanish Gatekeeper

We then drove along La Vera, passing through a series of small towns, including Losar de la Vera with its superb topiary. Ascending the Gredos Mountains, now in Ávila province, we stopped at the pass “Puerto del Pico” at 1,350 metres above sea-level, where a paved Roman road showed that it had been used for over two thousand years. In the broom scrub near the car park we found **Knapweed Fritillary** and a fine **Cardinal**, amongst other species.



Knapweed Fritillary

We then continued into the Gredos Mountains, reaching our hotel “Hostal Almanzor” late afternoon. We had time to settle-in and do some initial exploration in the garden, seeing **Red Squirrel** and **Moroccan Orange-tip**, but particular attention was given to the excellent hide, within the hotel itself, where we watched a fine **Rock Bunting** and two **Grey Wagtails**.

Day 7: 26th May 2015: Gredos Mountains

The pre-breakfast visit to the hotel hide produced **Rock Sparrow** and a tremendously engaging **Green Woodpecker**, amongst others. After breakfast we drove up the Plataforma, at about 1,700 metres above sea-level to spend most of the morning in the high broom moorland above the tree-line.



Bluethroat habitat

It was a wonderful experience. The birds were excellent: **Northern Wheatears**, **Ortolan Buntings**, **Rufous-tailed Rock Thrush**, **Water Pipits** and **Skylarks**, along with **Dunnocks** and **Yellow Wagtails**. But pride of place was a singing male **Bluethroat** which kept us entertained with its song-flights and moving from perch to perch across its territory. Other wildlife included **Spanish Ibexes**, a **Schreiber's Green Lizard** and a young **Lataste's Viper** which crossed the path as we returned to the car park, close to a patch of **Robust Marsh Orchids**.

As we descended we stopped to look at more orchids and also witness the tremendous sight of a pair of **Golden Eagle** being moved by **Ravens** and a **Booted Eagle**.

After coffee from a terrace in the village of Hoyos del Espino, affording us a perfect view across the mountains, we stopped for lunch in pines beside the Tormes River. A **Pied Flycatcher** sang nearby and a good selection of butterflies were present including **Green Underside Blues**. We then spent a productive few minutes beside some meadows where butterflies included **Glanville Fritillaries**.



Glanville Fritillary

We returned to the hotel mid-afternoon and then took a walk along the small stream nearby. It was a very beautiful little valley, culminating with clear rocky pools and small waterfalls. Nearby in pines, we had glimpses of **Citril Finches** and then we returned to the hotel. That evening **European Nightjar** and two **Scops Owls** were calling from nearby.

Day 8: 27th May 2015: Gredos Mountains and return to Madrid.

A pair of **Ravens** provided the entertainment at the pre-breakfast visit to the hide. After checking out from the hotel we drove west to the village of Navacepeda and we walked on a track above the river Tormes, through a mixture of wooded and open habitats. Birdsong was everywhere: **Western Bonelli's Warbler**, **Iberian Chiffchaff**, **Girl Bunting**, but most memorable were the butterflies including several species of **Fritillary: Niobe, Knapweed, Provençal, Lesser Spotted and Queen of Spain**.



Lesser Spotted Fritillary



Niobe Fritillary



Provençal Fritillaries



Little Blue



Oberthür's Grizzled Skipper

We stopped for coffee at the Parador of the Gredos and then retraced our steps to the pass where we had stopped two days earlier. Here **Knapweed Fritillaries** were again evident and we found an extraordinary **Owlfly**.



Owlfly

It was then time to make our descent, returning to the heat of the plains where we stopped for lunch once we had joined the motorway. It was then an easy drive back to Madrid, arriving at the airport with plenty of time for the check-in.

Annotated list of species

Birds

1. **Egyptian Goose**: Seen at Alcollarín Reservoir.
2. **Gadwall**: Seen at Alcollarín Reservoir and Arrocampo.
3. **Mallard**: Seen almost daily.
4. **Pintail**: A male at Alcollarín on 21st May.
5. **Common Pochard**: 7 at Alcollarín on 21st May.
6. **Ferruginous Duck**: A pair at Arrocampo on 20th May.
7. **Shelduck**: 4 at Alcollarín on 21st May.
8. **Red-legged Partridge**: Seen on plains near Trujillo and Monfragüe.
9. **Quail**: Heard on plains on 22nd May.
10. **Little Grebe**: Seen at Arrocampo and Alcollarín.
11. **Great Crested Grebe**: Seen at Alcollarín and Arrocampo.
12. **Black-necked Grebe**: Four at Alcollarín on 21st May.
13. **Great Cormorant**: Seen at Alcollarín, Arrocampo and Alange.
14. **Little Bittern**: About five seen at Arrocampo on 20th May and a male from Roman Bridge in Mérida on 23rd May.
15. **Black-crowned Night Heron**: Excellent views from Roman Bridge Mérida.
16. **Cattle Egret**: Seen most days.
17. **Little Egret**: Seen at Alcollarín, Mérida and Arrocampo.
18. **Great Egret**: Seen at Alcollarín (six birds) and Arrocampo.
19. **Grey Heron**: Seen most days.
20. **Purple Heron**: Seen at Mérida and Arrocampo.
21. **Black Stork**: Six seen in Monfragüe on 24th May.
22. **White Stork**: Seen daily.
23. **Spoonbill**: A party of about 12 at Alcollarín on 21st May and one near Saucedilla on 25th May.
24. **Egyptian Vulture**: Seen on plains west of Trujillo and Monfragüe.
25. **Griffon Vulture**: Seen daily.
26. **Black Vulture**: Seen almost every day.
27. **Spanish Imperial Eagle**: Two adults (plus chick) at Monfragüe on 24th May.
28. **Golden Eagle**: Two adults near Hoyos del Espino on 26th May.
29. **Short-toed Eagle**: Seen at Monfragüe, River Almonte, and in the Gredos.
30. **Booted Eagle**: Seen daily.
31. **Bonelli's Eagle**: A bird at Alange dam on 23rd May.
32. **Black Kite**: Seen daily.
33. **Red Kite**: Seen on several days.
34. **Marsh Harrier**: Seen on Campo Lugar plains, Alcollarín and Arrocampo.
35. **Montagu's Harrier**: Seen on route from Madrid and south of Mérida.
36. **Common Buzzard**: Seen daily.
37. **Honey Buzzard**: One near Hoyos del Espino on 26th May.
38. **Sparrowhawk**: One at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May.

39. **Lesser Kestrel**: Seen daily in Extremadura.
40. **Common Kestrel**: Seen on several days.
41. **Water Rail**: One calling at Arrocampo.
42. **Moorhen**: Seen at Mérida, Alcollarín and Arrocampo.
43. **Purple Swampphen**: Several at Arrocampo on 20th May.
44. **Common Coot**: Seen at Alcollarín, Mérida and Arrocampo.
45. **Great Bustard**: Four males near Campo Lugar on 21st May.
46. **Black-winged Stilt**: Seen at Alcollarín and near Saucedilla.
47. **Collared Pratincole**: About 25 at Alcollarín on 21st May.
48. **Little Ringed Plover**: About five at Alcollarín on 21st May.
49. **Ruff**: A female at Alcollarín on 21st May.
50. **Common Sandpiper**: One near Saucedilla on 25th May.
51. **Whiskered Tern**: One at Arrocampo on 20th May.
52. **Black Tern**: Five at Alcollarín on 21st May.
53. **Gull-billed Tern**: Seen at Alcollarín (about 30), Mérida and Arrocampo.
54. **Little Tern**: Eight at Alcollarín on 21st May.
55. **Black-headed Gull**: Seen at Alcollarín.
56. **Black-bellied Sandgrouse**: Two on Campo Lugar plains on 21st May.
57. **Rock Dove/Feral Pigeon**: Seen daily.
58. **Wood Pigeon**: Seen daily.
59. **Collared Dove**: Seen daily.
60. **Turtle Dove**: Heard at Monfragüe on 24th May.
61. **Great Spotted Cuckoo**: Two near Pago de San Clemente on 23rd May.
62. **Common Cuckoo**: Heard and seen almost daily.
63. **Scops Owl**: Heard (and a sighting) at Pago de San Clemente and in the Gredos.
64. **Little Owl**: Heard (and a sighting) at Pago de San Clemente.
65. **Long-eared Owl**: One seen at Pago de san Clemente on 21st May.
66. **Red-necked Nightjar**: Seen at Pago de San Clemente most evenings.
67. **Eurasian Nightjar**: Calling in the Gredos on 26th May.
68. **Alpine Swift**: Seen at Alange, Mérida and Monfragüe.
69. **Common Swift**: Seen daily.
70. **Pallid Swift**: Seen at Castañar del Ibor and at Mérida.
71. **White-rumped Swift**: Six seen at Monfragüe on 24th May.
72. **Kingfisher**: Seen on several days.
73. **Bee-eater**: Seen almost daily.
74. **Roller**: Two seen at Campo Lugar on 21st May.
75. **Hoopoe**: Seen daily.
76. **Green Woodpecker**: Seen in the Gredos on 26th and 27th May.
77. **Great Spotted Woodpecker**: Seen on several days.
78. **Lesser Spotted Woodpecker**: Two at Jaraiz Lake on 25th May.
79. **Calandra Lark**: Seen on the plains near Santa Marta de Magasca and Campo Lugar.
80. **Crested Lark**: Seen almost daily.
81. **Thekla Lark**: Seen on several days.
82. **Woodlark**: Seen on several days.
83. **Skylark**: Seen on Gredos on 26th May.
84. **Sand Martin**: Seen at Arrocampo.
85. **Crag Martin**: Seen almost daily.
86. **Barn Swallow**: Seen daily.

87. **Red-rumped Swallow:** Seen almost daily.
88. **House Martin:** Seen daily.
89. **Water Pipit:** Seen on Gredos on 26th May.
90. **Yellow Wagtail:** Seen on Gredos on 26th May.
91. **Grey Wagtail:** Seen at Castañar del Ibor and in the Gredos.
92. **White Wagtail:** Seen almost daily.
93. **Wren:** Seen or heard on several days.
94. **Dunnock:** Seen on Gredos on 25th and 26th May.
95. **Rufous Bush Robin:** One near Villafranca de los Barros on 23rd May.
96. **Robin:** Present at Monfragüe, at Castañar del Ibor and in the Gredos.
97. **Bluethroat:** One singing on Gredos on 26th May.
98. **Nightingale:** Seen daily in Extremadura.
99. **Black Redstart:** Seen at Pago de San Clemente, Monfragüe and the Gredos.
100. **Stonechat:** Seen almost daily.
101. **Northern Wheatear:** Seen on Gredos on 26th May.
102. **Black-eared Wheatear:** Seen at Sierra Brava on 21st and Monfragüe.
103. **Black Wheatear:** One male at Alange on 23rd May.
104. **Blue Rock Thrush:** Seen at Alange and Monfragüe.
105. **Rufous-tailed Rock Thrush:** Seen on Gredos on 26th May.
106. **Blackbird:** Seen daily.
107. **Mistle Thrush:** Seen in Gredos.
108. **Cetti's Warbler:** Seen or heard almost daily.
109. **Zitting Cisticola:** Seen almost daily.
110. **Savi's Warbler:** Singing at Arrocampo on 20th May.
111. **Reed Warbler:** Seen in Mérida and Arrocampo.
112. **Great Reed Warbler:** Seen at Alcollarín, Mérida and Arrocampo.
113. **Melodious Warbler:** Seen at Pago de San Clemente and Mérida.
114. **Isabelline (Western Olivaceous) Warbler:** Two singing near Mérida on 23rd May.
115. **Subalpine Warbler:** Seen at Monfragüe.
116. **Sardinian Warbler:** Seen almost daily.
117. **Western Orphean Warbler:** Heard in Monfragüe.
118. **Common Whitethroat:** Seen in Gredos on 26th and 27th May.
119. **Garden Warbler:** Heard and seen in Gredos on 25th and 27th May.
120. **Blackcap:** Seen or heard almost daily.
121. **Western Bonelli's Warbler:** Heard and seen in the Gredos.
122. **Iberian Chiffchaff:** One or two singing in Gredos on 27th May.
123. **Pied Flycatcher:** One singing in Gredos on 26th May.
124. **Long-tailed Tit:** Seen on three days.
125. **Crested Tit:** Seen and heard in Gredos on 26th and 27th May.
126. **Coal Tit:** Seen in Gredos.
127. **Blue Tit:** Seen daily.
128. **Great Tit:** Seen daily.
129. **Nuthatch:** Seen at Castañar del Ibor and the Gredos
130. **Short-toed Treecreeper:** Recorded on several days.
131. **Penduline Tit:** One seen at Mérida on 23rd May.
132. **Golden Oriole:** Heard and sometimes seen almost daily.
133. **Red-backed Shrike:** A male near Hoyos del Espino on 26th May.
134. **Iberian Grey Shrike:** Seen on several days.
135. **Woodchat Shrike:** Seen almost daily.

136. **Jay:** Seen at Castañar del Ibor and the Gredos.
137. **Azure-winged Magpie:** Seen daily in Extremadura.
138. **Magpie:** Seen daily.
139. **Jackdaw:** Seen almost daily.
140. **Carrion Crow:** Seen in the Gredos
141. **Raven:** Seen almost daily.
142. **Spotless Starling:** Seen daily.
143. **House Sparrow:** Seen daily.
144. **Spanish Sparrow:** Seen on several days.
145. **Tree Sparrow:** Seen near Mérida.
146. **Rock Sparrow:** Seen in the Gredos.
147. **Common Waxbill:** Seen near Mérida.
148. **Chaffinch:** Seen almost daily.
149. **Serin:** Seen daily.
150. **Greenfinch:** Seen almost daily.
151. **Citril Finch:** About six seen near Navarredonda de Gredos on 26th May.
152. **Goldfinch:** Seen daily.
153. **Linnet:** Seen on several days.
154. **Hawfinch:** Seen at Alcollarín and Jaraiz.
155. **Girl Bunting:** One in Gredos on 27th May.
156. **Rock Bunting:** Seen in Monfragüe and the Gredos.
157. **Ortolan Bunting:** Seen in Gredos on 26th May.
158. **Corn Bunting:** Seen daily.

Butterflies

1. **Swallowtail:** Seen on plains and at Arrocampo.
2. **Large White:** Seen at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May and in Gredos.
3. **Small White:** Seen daily.
4. **Green-veined White:** Seen at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May, Jaraiz on 25th and Gredos on 26th.
5. **Bath White:** One at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May.
6. **Moroccan Orange Tip:** Seen in Gredos.
7. **Clouded Yellow:** Seen daily.
8. **Cleopatra:** Seen at Guadiana River, Monfragüe and Jaraiz.
9. **Wood White:** Seen at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May and Jaraiz on 25th
10. **Spanish Purple Hairstreak:** Seen in Monfragüe and Jaraiz.
11. **False Ilex Hairstreak:** Seen almost daily in Extremadura.
12. **Small Copper:** Seen daily.
13. **Sooty Copper:** Seen at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May and in Gredos.
14. **Long-tailed Blue:** Seen south of Mérida on 23rd May.
15. **Lang's Short-tailed Blue:** Seen at Alcollarín, Monfragüe and at Puerto del Pico pass.
16. **African Grass Blue:** Seen at Monfragüe on 24th May.
17. **Little Blue:** Seen in Gredos on 27th May.
18. **Holly Blue:** Seen most days.
19. **Green Underside Blue:** Seen in Gredos on 26th and 27th May.
20. **Brown Argus:** Seen most days.
21. **Amanda's Blue:** Seen at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May.

22. **Common Blue**: Seen at Monfragüe and in the Gredos.
23. **Nettle-tree Butterfly**: Seen in Monfragüe and in the Gredos on 26th May.
24. **Southern White Admiral**: Seen at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May and Jaraiz on 25th May.
25. **Large Tortoiseshell**: Seen at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May and the Gredos.
26. **Red Admiral**: Seen at Castañar del Ibor and in Monfragüe.
27. **Painted Lady**: Seen almost daily.
28. **Small Tortoiseshell**: Seen in the Gredos.
29. **Comma**: Seen at Jaraiz on 25th May.
30. **Cardinal**: Seen in the Gredos.
31. **Niobe Fritillary**: Seen in Gredos on 27th May.
32. **Queen of Spain Fritillary**: Seen at Castañar del Ibor and the Gredos.
33. **Glanville Fritillary**: Seen in Gredos on 26th and 27th May.
34. **Knapweed Fritillary**: Seen in Gredos on 25th and 27th May.
35. **Lesser Spotted Fritillary**: Seen in Gredos on 27th May.
36. **Provençal Fritillary**: Seen at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May and in the Gredos.
37. **Marsh Fritillary**: Seen at Castañar del Ibor and Jaraiz.
38. **Meadow Brown**: Seen daily.
39. **Southern Gatekeeper**: Seen on plains on 21st May, Monfragüe and Jaraiz.
40. **Spanish Gatekeeper**: Seen at Jaraiz on 25th May.
41. **Small Heath**: Seen on several days.
42. **Speckled Wood**: Seen almost daily.
43. **Wall Brown**: Seen on several days.
44. **Oberthür's Grizzled Skipper**: Seen in Gredos on 27th May.
45. **Red-underwing Skipper**: Seen in Gredos on 26th May.
46. **Mallow Skipper**: Seen south of Mérida on 23rd May.
47. **Small Skipper**: Seen on several days.

Dragonflies

1. **Beautiful Demoiselle**: Seen at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May and Jaraiz on 25th.
2. **Blue-eye**: Seen at Alcollarín on 21st May and River Guadiana on 23rd May.
3. **Small Red-eye**: Seen at Alcollarín.
4. **Iberian Bluetail**: Seen at Arrocampo and at Alcollarín.
5. **Small Bluetail**: Seen at Arrocampo.
6. **Large Red Damsel**: Seen at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May and in Gredos.
7. **White Featherleg**: Seen near River Guadiana on 23rd May.
8. **Blue Emperor**: Seen at Jaraiz.
9. **Lesser Emperor**: Seen at Alcollarín and Arrocampo.
10. **Western Clubtail**: Seen at Monfragüe on 24th May.
11. **Common Goldenring**: Seen at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May and Jaraiz on 25th.
12. **Northern Banded Groundling**: Seen at Arrocampo.
13. **Broad Scarlet**: Seen on several days.
14. **Broad-bodied Chaser**: Seen at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May
15. **Black-tailed Skimmer**: Seen at Arrocampo, Alcollarín and Castañar del Ibor.
16. **Long Skimmer**: Seen at Arrocampo.
17. **Red-veined Darter**: Seen at Alcollarín.

18. **Common Darter:** Seen at Castañar del Ibor on 22nd May.

Reptiles and Amphibians

1. Iberian Pool Frog
2. Pond Terrapin
3. Moorish Gecko
4. Ocellated Lizard
5. Schreiber's Green Lizard
6. Spanish Wall Lizard
7. Large Psammadromus
8. Montpellier Snake
9. Lataste's Viper

Mammals

1. Rabbit
2. Red Squirrel
3. Red Fox
4. Spanish Ibex
5. Red Deer