

**MALLORCA**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2002**

This was a last minute package deal with a non-birding girlfriend, rather than an organised birding trip. We stayed in C'an Picafort which is a German resort close to Alcudia and I would definitely recommend it outside peak season. Most birding was done at S'Albufera which is a great site and even delivered a first for the Balearics!



Marbled Duck



Auduoin's Gull



Purple Gallinule



Woodchat Shrike



Whiskered Tern



Long-billed Dowitcher

**Species list**

Great-Crested Grebe	1, S'Albufera
Black-Necked Grebe	2, S'Albufera
Little Grebe	S'Albufera
Cormorant	3, over C'an Picafort beach
Shag (med race desmarestii)	C'an Picafort beach
Little Bittern	Juv. S'Albufera main bridge
Night Heron	10+, S'Albufera roost
Cattle Egret	10+ fields near airport
Little Egret	Abundant
Great White Egret	1, over S'Albufera
Grey Heron	Several, S'Albufera
Purple Heron	1 seen twice, S'Albufera
Glossy Ibis	2, S'Albufera
Sacred Ibis	2, S'Albufera, thought to be wild birds

Egyptian Goose	2, S'Albufera, almost certainly not wild!
Mallard	Abundant
Gadwall	S'Albufera
Pintail	2, Albufera
Shoveler	S'Albufera
Wigeon	2, C'an Picafort channel, S'Albufera
Marbled Duck	4-5, S'Albufera
Teal	S'Albufera
Red-Crested Pochard	Several, S'Albufera
Marsh Harrier	Many, S'Albufera
Kestrel	1, Boquer
Eleonora's Falcon	2, C'an Picafort area, 1-2 S'Albufera, 2 Boquer, 4-5 Formentor
Peregrine	2, Formentor
Red-Legged Partridge	Heard, Boquer
Water Rail	1, S'Albufera
Moorhen	Abundant
Coot	Abundant
Purple Gallinule	Many, S'Albufera, c10 in CIM hide area
Black-Winged Stilt	Several, S'Albufera
Kentish Plover	Flock of c20, C'an Picafort beach
Grey Plover	1, C'an Picafort beach
Lapwing	5+, S'Albufera
Wood Sandpiper	10+, S'Albufera
Green Sandpiper	3, S'Albufera
Common Sandpiper	1, C'an Picafort beach
Spotted Redshank	5+, S'Albufera
Greenshank	10+, S'Albufera
Snipe	4-5, S'Albufera
Long-Billed Dowitcher	1, S'Albufera. 1 <sup>st</sup> winter bird found by us. The first record for the Balearics and about the 10 <sup>th</sup> for Spain. Accepted by SEO.
Black-Headed Gull	S'Albufera
Yellow-Legged Gull	Abundant, coastal
Audouin's Gull	1 <sup>st</sup> winter & Ad, Boquer beach, Ad, C'an Picafort beach
Whiskered Tern	Ad & 2 juv, S'Albufera
Rock Dove	Abundant
Collared Dove	1, C'an Picafort
Woodpigeon	S'Albufera
Hoopoe	1, S'Albufera
Kingfisher	2, S'Albufera
Wryneck	1, C'an Picafort beach. Probable migrant
Thekla Lark	Several, C'an Picafort beach
Swallow	Abundant, large movements south all week
Tawny Pipit	1, C'an Picafort beach. Migrant
Pied Wagtail	1, Boquer beach
Grey Wagtail	1, C'an Picafort
Wren	Heard several locations
Robin	Abundant in woodland.
Redstart	2, C'an Picafort beach. Migrants
Wheatear	2, C'an Picafort beach. Migrants
Stonechat	Many, C'an Picafort beach
Blue Rock Thrush	Several males, Boquer
Blackbird	Abundant
Sardinian Warbler	Abundant
Moustached Warbler	Several, main bridge S'Albufera
Fan-Tailed Warbler	Several, S'Albufera
Reed Warbler	Several, S'Albufera

Cetti's Warbler	Abundant in wetland habitats
Chiffchaff	1, heard Formentor
Firecrest	Several, Formentor. Heard in other locations
Great Tit	1, S'Albufera, 1, Formentor
Woodchat Shrike	1 <sup>st</sup> winter for 2 days, C'an Picafort beach. Rather a late migrant
Raven	2, Boquer
Starling	Small flocks, S'Albufera
House Sparrow	Abundant
Chaffinch	Several, Formentor
Linnet	C'an Picafort beach
Goldfinch	Boquer
Greenfinch	C'an Picafort beach
Serin	C'an Picafort, Boquer
Crossbill	C'an Picafort, Formentor
Girl Bunting	1 male, Boquer