



# Flevo Birdwatching

Date Excursion:	15 July 2015
Name excursion:	Oostvaardersplassen afternoon excursion (1 person)
Guide:	Els Luijkx

Dutch name	English name	Scientific name
aalscholver	great cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo
bergeend	common shelduck	Tadorna tadorna
blauwe reiger	grey heron	Ardea cinerea
boerenzwaluw	barn swallow	Hirundo rustica
bruine kiekendief	marsh harrier	Circus aeruginosus
ekster	magpie	Pica pica
fitis	willow warbler	Phylloscopus trochilus
fuut	great crested grebe	Podiceps cristatus
gierzwaluw	common swift	Apus apus
grouwe gans	greylag goose	Anser anser
groenling	greenfinch	Chloris chloris
grote mantelmeeuw	greater black-backed gull	Larus marinus
grote zilverreiger	great egret	Casmerodius albus
grutto	black-tailed godwit	Limosa limosa
houtduif	wood pigeon	Columba palumbus
huismus	house sparrow	Passer domesticus
huiszwaluw	house martin	Delichon urbica
ijsvogel	common kingfisher	Alcedo atthis
kauw	eurasian jackdaw	Corvus monedula
kemphaan	ruff	Philomachus pugnax
kievit	northern lapwing	Vanellus vanellus
kleine karekiet	reed warbler	Acrocephalus scirpaceus
kluut	avocet	Recurvirostra avosetta
kneu	linnet	Carduelis cannabina
knobbelzwaan	mute swan	Cygnus olor
kokmeeuw	black-headed gull	Croicocephalus ridibundus
krakeend	gadwall	Anas strepera
kuifeend	tufted duck	Aythya fuligula
lepelaar	eurasian spoonbill	Platalea leucorodia
meerkoet	common coot	Fulica atra
merel	blackbird	Turdus merula
nijlgans	egyptian goose	Alopochen aegyptiacus
putter	goldfinch	Carduelis carduelis
rietgors	reed bunting	Emberiza schoeniclus
slobeend	northern shoveler	Anas clypeata
spreeuw	common starling	Sturnus vulgaris
stormmeeuw	common gull	Larus canus
tafeleend	common pochard	Aythya ferina
tjiftjaf	chiffchaff	Phylloscopus collybita
turkse tortel	collard dove	Streptopelia decaocto
vink	chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs
visdief	common tern	Sterna hirundo
wielewaal	golden oriole	Oriolus oriolus
wilde eend	mallard	Anas platyrhynchos



winterkoning	wren	Troglodytes troglodytes
witte kwikstaart	white wagtail	Motacilla alba
zanglijster	song trush	Turdus philomelos
zilvermeeuw	herring gull	Larus argentatus
zwarte kraai	carrion crow	Corvus corone
zwartkop	blackcap	Sylvia atricapilla
<b>Total number of species</b>		<b>50</b>

## Highlights of the afternoon

After picking up Andrew at the Visitor's Centre at Oostvaarders we drove to Lepelaarsplassen. On our way to the Oostvaardersdijk we made several stops to watch the Gulls. Unfortunately, it rained quite a lot but luckily Andrew could still take pictures of various Gulls and the Common Tern. Amongst the Common Tern were young Wagtails and Ruffs.

While watching them it was clear that they were eating a lot in order to store fat for the coming migration. Because of this it was possible to take beautiful pictures without disturbing the birds.

Close to the bird hide at Lepelaarsplassen we heard the beautiful song of the Golden Oriole. While in the bird hide the Common Kingfisher sat close by and we could enjoy its beauty. Thereafter we walked back to the car through the pouring rain. It rained for the rest of the afternoon but we were still able to watch the Eurasian Spoonbills and the Avocets from our vehicle.

Despite the rain we had a pleasant afternoon.

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