

Flevo Birdwatching

Tour date:	19 th July, evening 18:00-22:00, Sunny but windy, around 16 C
Name of area visited:	Oostvaardersplassen, marshland and mainly willow woods between the towns Almere and Lelystad in the Flevopolder in the Netherlands
Guide(s):	Taco

Highlights of the day:

- "Jan van den Boschpad"; elevated look-out in the most southern part of the nature reserve the Oostvaardersplassen. Species seen here: Kestrel and Common Buzzard very active at this spot. On our way back we saw a male Sparrowhawk with prey. It turned out he caught a Great tit. The poor bird was still alive.
- "Grote praambult", elevated look-out in north-eastern part of the nature reserve the Oostvaardersplassen. Overlooking some forest, ponds and a huge area of wet grassland. Species seen here: There were three juvenile White-tailed eagles present here. Also a Red Fox was wandering in the grasslands. Hundreds of Black-tailed godwits far away.
- "Kleine praambult", elevated look-out in the north-eastern part of the nature reserve the Oostvaardersplassen. Overlooking huge area of wet grassland. Species seen here: We made a short hike here. During our hike we had great views of Reed bunting and Greenfinch.
- Visitors center. A short stop here gives us beautiful views of a male Common redstart. Cuckoo was calling.



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- "Krakeend route", walk to observation hide overlooking shallow waters and grassland. Species seen here: Made a nice scenery stop at a wooden bridge here. More nice views of Greenfinch and White wagtail.
- "Praamweg", road through wet grassland area with Konik horses. Species seen here: Finally a close-up view of Eurasian spoonbill, also a female Common pochard.

Total species heard/seen 54

Nederlandse naam	English name	Wetenschappelijke/Scientific name
fuut	great crested grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>
aalscholver	great cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>
grote zilverreiger	great egret	<i>Casmerodius albus</i>
blauwe reiger	grey heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>
lepelaar	eurasian spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>
knobbelzwaan	mute swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>
grouwe gans	greylag goose	<i>Anser anser</i>
nijlgans	egyptian goose	<i>Alopochen aegyptiacus</i>
wilde eend	mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>
krakeend	gadwall	<i>Anas strepera</i>
slobeend	northern shoveler	<i>Anas clypeata</i>
tafeleend	common pochard	<i>Aythya ferina</i>
kuifeend	tufted duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>
bruine kiekendief	marsh harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>
sperwer	eurasian sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>
buizerd	common buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>
zeearend	white tailed eagle	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>
torenvalk	common kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>
boomvalk	hobby	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>
meerkoet	common coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>
scholekster	oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>
kluut	avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>
kievit	northern lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>
grutto	black-tailed godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>
kokmeeuw	black-headed gull	<i>Croicocephalus ridibundus</i>
zilvermeeuw	herring gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>
kleine mantelmeeuw	lesser black-backed gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>
noordse stern	arctic tern	<i>Sterna paradisaea</i>
houtduif	wood pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>
holenduif	stock pigeon	<i>Columba oenas</i>
koekoek	common cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>
gierzwaluw	common swift	<i>Apus apus</i>
grote bonte specht	greater spotted woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>
oeverzwaluw	sand martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>
boerenzwaluw	barn swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
witte kwikstaart	white wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>
winterkoning	wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>
roodborst	robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>
gekraagde roodstaart	common redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>
merel	blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>
zanglijster	song trush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>

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kleine karekiet
grasmus
fitis
tjiftjaf
Cetti's zanger
pimpelmees
spreeuw
ekster
kauw
zwarte kraai
vink
groenling
putter
rietgors

reed warbler
common whitethroat
willow warbler
chiffchaff
Cetti warbler
blue tit
common starling
magpie
eurasian jackdaw
carrion crow
chaffinch
greenfinch
goldfinch
reed bunting

Acrocephalus scirpaceus
Sylvia communis
Phylloscopus trochilus
Phylloscopus collybita
Cettia cetti
Cyanistes caeruleus
Sturnus vulgaris
Pica pica
Corvus monedula
Corvus corone
Fringilla coelebs
Chloris chloris
Carduelis carduelis
Emberiza schoeniclus

