

Tour date:	31th of July 2017, nice weather around 22 C. Start at 8:10 until 14:30
Name of area visited:	Oostvaardersplassen and Lepelaarplassen, marshland and mainly willow woods between the towns Almere and Lelystad in the Flevopolder in the Netherlands
Guide(s):	Taco

<b>Nederlandse naam</b>	<b>English name</b>	<b>Wetenschappelijke/Scientific name</b>
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>
grauwe gans	greylag goose	<i>Anser anser</i>
grote canadese gans	canada goose	<i>Branta canadensis</i>
brandgans	barnacle goose	<i>Branta leucopsis</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>
wintertaling	common teal	<i>Anas crecca</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>
zearend	white tailed eagle	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>
meerkoet	common coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>
steltkluut	black-winged stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
kievit	northern lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>
kemphaan	ruff	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>
oeverloper	common sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
kokmeeuw	black-headed gull	<i>Croicocephalus ridibundus</i>
stormmeeuw	common gull	<i>Larus canus</i>
zilvermeeuw	herring gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>
grote mantelmeeuw	greater black-backed gull	<i>Larus marinus</i>
kleine mantelmeeuw	lesser black-backed gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>
visdief	common tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>
zwarte stern	black tern	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>
houtduif	wood pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>
holenduif	stock pigeon	<i>Columba oenas</i>
gierzwaluw	common swift	<i>Apus apus</i>
grote bonte specht	greater spotted woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>
veldleeuwerik	sky lark H	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>
oeverzwaluw	sand martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>
boerenzwaluw	barn swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
huiszwaluw	house martin	<i>Delichon urbica</i>
witte kwikstaart	white wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>

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winterkoning	Wren H	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>
heggemus	hedge accentor	<i>Prunella modularis</i>
merel	Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>
rietzanger	sedge warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>
bosrietzanger	marsh warbler H	<i>Acrocephalus palustris</i>
kleine karekiet	reed warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>
zwartkop	Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>
fitis	willow warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>
tjiftjaf	Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>
baardman	bearded tit	<i>Panurus biarmicus</i>
matkop	willow tit	<i>Poecile montanus</i>
pimpelmees	blue tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>
koolmees	great tit	<i>Parus major</i>
boomkruiper	short-toed treecreeper H	<i>Certhia brachydactyla</i>
spreeuw	common starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>
gaai	eurasian jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>
ekster	magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>
kauw	eurasian jackdaw	<i>Corvus monedula</i>
zwarte kraai	carrion crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>
vink	chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>
groenling	greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>
putter	goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>
kneu	linnet	<i>Carduelis cannabina</i>

Total species 64, H=only heard.



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: First species of the day: Willow tit, but not visible. Far away but clear a White-tailed eagle perched. On the second almost dry lake a group of around 20 Ruff.



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- Parking lot along the "Oostvaardersdijk"; viewpoint overlooking the Lepelaarsplassen. Species seen here: A Marsh harrier is flying above the reed
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- "Trekvogel veldje"; small wet/grassy area with scrubs. Species seen here: 4 Grey herons in the field. But almost no water anymore.
- "Trekvogel" observation hide; overlooking the large cormorant colony of the Lepelaarsplassen. Species seen here: Many tufted ducks and Common pochard. The water is very muddy due to the rain yesterday. Our second Sparrowhawk of the day is flying above our heads. Short views of Great tit, Chifchaff, Chaffinch and Greenfinch at the end of the hike.
- "Praamweg", road through wet grassland area with Konik horses. Species seen here: Large number of birds here. Among them we add Common sandpiper and Black-winged stilt to the list.



