

RARE & SCARCE BIRDS AT LANDGUARD SUFFOLK

This is a list (including some rare races) for which 20 or fewer records can be traced. Firsts for Suffolk plus BBRC rarities with less than 25 UK records when found are highlighted. All national rarities have been accepted by BBRC.

QUAIL *Coturnix coturnix*

Two records.

1994 23rd May

2004 2nd May

BLACK BRANT *Branta bernicla nigricans*

One record of a bird flying past with Dark-bellied Brent Geese. Others have possibly been overlooked.

2014 13th October

PALE-BELLIED BRENT GOOSE *Branta bernicla hrota*

18 records of birds flying past amongst flocks of Dark-bellied Brent Geese. Others have possibly been overlooked.

1989 22nd November

1991 28th September

1994 23rd October

1997 14th January

3rd November

2006 9th October

2011 16th September

2012 28th May

31st May

17th December

2013 two 11th November

20th November

2014 7th May

2017 two 30th December

2019 19th September

2020 28th November

2021 13th November

4th December

RED-BREASTED GOOSE *Branta ruficollis*

Two records, one of a bird flying past with Brent Geese that was known to be wintering on the nearby estuary and another in 2015 whose origin is open to speculation. Others of suspect origin are included in the escapes report.

2000 17th January

2015 30th September

WHOOPEE SWAN *Cygnus cygnus*

17 records of birds in flight over the area.

1982 6th November

1985 two 4th January

2002 two 19th October

2004 four 28th January

2007 five 16th December

2008 five 13th December
2009 seven 3rd November
2010 24th November
2011 six 29th October
three 7th November
13th December
2017 4th October
2019 two 27th October
28th October
2020 six 30th November
2021 seven 21st December
one 24th December

MANDARIN DUCK *Aix galericulata*

One record

2021 three 31st July

EGYPTIAN GOOSE *Alopochen aegyptiaca*

15 records.

2004 6th May
2006 3rd April
2010 4th December
2012 three 31st March
2013 two 19th April
13th September
2015 two 31st March (one a hybrid with a domestic goose)
2017 two 10th February
2nd December
2020 two 4th June
2021 four 5th February
seven 12th September
ten 20th September
14 25th October
2022 two 28th January

GARGANEY *Spatula querquedula*

Nine records of birds flying past.

1990 13th April
1992 8th April
9th November
1997 two 4th May
2002 7th May
2004 10th September
2005 4th June
2011 6th August
2016 16th September

RED-CRESTED POCHARD *Netta rufina*

One record of a bird flying south close inshore.

1990 5th September

SMEW *Mergellus albellus*

12 records either associated with cold weather movements or autumn passage.

1985 18th January
22nd January

1989 16th November
1991 10th February
eight 11th February
three 12th February
1992 27th October
1997 9th January
4th November
2004 22nd January
2010 three 10th February
2011 three 25th October

NIGHTJAR *Caprimulgus europaeus*

Seven records.

1981 7th October
1982 6th September
1983 20th August
1990 8th June
1992 4th September
1996 6th to 7th September
2007 6th September

ALPINE SWIFT *Tachymarptis melba*

Two records.

1991 11th July
2002 6th June

PALLID SWIFT *Apus pallidus*

Three records. A "swift sp." on 2nd November 2008 was probably this species but could not be confirmed. One 31st October 2011 was rejected by BBRC.

2022 25th October

YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO *Coccyzus americanus*

One record.

1989 25th October

SPOTTED CRAKE *Porzana porzana*

One record of a bird in the scrub by the cottage gate.

1993 27th September

COOT *Fulica atra*

11 records, with the second probably dying up river before being washed up on the riverbank. The February & December records are all associated with severe winter weather conditions.

1980 18th September
1985 29th January (dead)
1987 four 1st February
2nd April
1990 25th July
1991 11th February
14th February
18th February
1994 15th October
2009 22nd December
2011 29th October

CRANE *Grus grus*

Five records of 15 individuals in flight.

1988 three 29th October
1990 four 8th October
2002 six 12th September
2010 one 15th March
2021 one 25th March

LITTLE GREBE *Tachybaptus ruficollis*

Six records, including two picked up dead on the riverbank that had probably died up river before being washed up on site and one found in Hamilton Road, Felixstowe and released on the river during the same cold winter weather of February 1991.

1986 5th October
1991 11th February (dead)
12th February (released) presumed same 13th
20th February (dead)
1992 9th November
2016 17th September

SLAVONIAN GREBE *Podiceps auritus*

Ten records although four of these probably of the same bird.

1984 14th November
1992 15th November
2011 three 12th November
2014 10th & 19th January, 1st & 3rd February (presumed same)
25th November
2016 5th January
21st March

BLACK-NECKED GREBE *Podiceps nigricollis*

Ten records, including a flock of eight flying south close inshore. The March to August records were of summer plumaged birds sitting on the sea.

1994 eight 30th September
1995 14th April
1996 7th April
2002 11th August
2005 23rd March
2010 14th July
2014 13th August
2016 5th October
2017 2nd February
2022 13th November

STONE CURLEW *Burhinus oedicnemus*

Six records.

1989 19th August
1998 2nd May
2012 10th April
2018 14th April
2019 3rd April
2020 22nd May

AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVER *Pluvialis dominica*

One record.

2012 11th June

KENTISH PLOVER *Charadrius alexandrinus*

Three records of birds “obtained” pre 1930’s, dates not known, plus three recent records.

2008 female 20th January

2016 male 2nd June

2023 male 18th May

DOTTEREL *Charadrius morinellus*

11 records.

1984 two 20th to 23rd May

1990 1st May

1997 24th September

2002 16th August

2007 two 5th May

2008 25th May

7th to 18th September

13th September

2011 23rd August

2013 two 24th August

2014 22nd April

TEMMINCK’S STINT *Calidris temminckii*

Three records of four birds, the 1984 bird seen on the beach and the others in flight.

1984 17th May

2001 15th May

2004 two 15th May

BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER *Calidris subruficollis*

One record of a bird that landed on the reserve for less than a minute.

2016 12th September

MARSH SANDPIPER *Tringa stagnatilis*

One record of a bird flying south over the reserve during a large passage of Swallows.

1998 19th September

WOOD SANDPIPER *Tringa glareola*

12 records of birds in flight over the area.

1982 9th August

1986 7th September

1987 21st June

25th August

1995 10th September

2002 17th August

2009 7th August

2013 three 24th August

2016 4th August

2019 27th July

5th August

2020 15th August

SABINE’S GULL *Xema sabini*

Twelve records of eleven individuals. All juveniles except the 1991 bird which was an adult or first summer bird.

1987 16th October

18th October

20th October

1991 31st August & probably same 3rd September

1996 19th September
2004 2nd October
27th October
2007 24th September
2008 1st November
2016 5th October
7th October

GULL-BILLED TERN *Gelochelidon nilotica*

Four records of five birds.

1991 28th May
1997 two 1st May
2005 14th June
2023 30th April

WHISKERED TERN *Chlidonias hybrida*

One record.

1995 12th June

PUFFIN *Fratercula arctica*

19 records but described previously as “rare passage” so others may exist. The 2011 records were all records of birds flying north on three consecutive days.

1988 30th October
1990 20th April
15th October
2007 11th November
2010 11th November
2011 7th November
8th November
9th November
2012 20th September
2017 20th November
29th November
13th December
14th December
2018 11th November
2019 9th November
15th November
2021 21st October
18th November
23rd November

RED-BILLED TROPICBIRD *Phaethon aetherus*

One record of a tide line corpse. The bird was of the race *indicus* that was presumably ship assisted and died long before it was thrown overboard from a ship in the docks.

1993 17th February (dead)

STORM PETREL *Hydrobates pelagicus*

Seven records of eight individuals including two old records of birds dead at the lighthouse and one released having boarded a ship.

1883 two September (dead at lighthouse)
1985 30th October
1989 2nd November (released)
1998 25th October
2006 24th May

2013 31st December

2019 20th September

CORY'S SHEARWATER *Calonectris borealis*

Five records.

2003 12th October

13th October

two 14th October

2011 9th October

2023 17th September

GREAT SHEARWATER *Ardenna gravis*

Two records, the first of an individual scavenging behind a trawler coming into the river mouth.

1990 22nd September

2011 16th September

BALEARIC SHEARWATER *Puffinus mauretanicus*

Four records

2008 3rd February

2010 6th September

2013 6th February

2019 23rd August

BLACK STORK *Ciconia nigra*

One record flying south into Essex.

2015 28th August

GLOSSY IBIS *Plegadis falcinellus*

Two records of birds in flight.

2009 6th October

2020 9th April

BITTERN *Botaurus stellaris*

One record of a bird flushed from the reserve and flying off south.

1997 23rd September

NIGHT HERON *Nycticorax nycticorax*

Two records, the first of a bird flying out to sea and the second seen & heard pre-dawn.

1996 12th August

2021 25th November

CATTLE EGRET *Bubulcus ibis*

Six records.

2011 2nd December

2018 26th May

2020 24th March

2023 nine 20th September

four 8th October

11th November

GREAT WHITE EGRET *Ardea alba*

19 records of birds flying over, the first seen later at Trimley Marshes.

2004 4th June

2007 25th September

2010 24th November

2014 13th April

2016 3rd December

2017 5th October
two 13th October
26th October
12th December
2018 13th October
20th October
2019 three 5th September
2021 two 7th May
1st August
12th August
2022 25th March
4th August
14th November
2023 8th October

HONEY BUZZARD *Pernis apivorus*

16 records of 24 (or 27) individuals. The three additional birds in 2008 were very distant but were probably this species.

1988 15th May
1989 15th September
two 24th September
1999 3rd October
2000 1st October
two 15th October
2001 12th October
2008 five 13th September
two 14th September
one (possibly four) 28th September
2010 1st September
2013 29th April
15th May
2014 11th September
2020 16th May
2023 3rd Spetember

MONTAGU'S HARRIER *Circus pygargus*

Seven records, five records of "ringtails" plus males in 2005 & 2011.

1977 13th August
1995 9th May
1999 19th May
2003 14th May
2005 26th May
2011 26th April
2012 10th May

RED KITE *Milvus milvus*

15 records, including one from a re-introduction project.

1988 20th March
2000 23rd March
2001 19th May (wing tagged from Chilterns re-introduction scheme)
2003 21st March
2006 1st August
2009 25th July

2010 2nd March
2013 29th March
2015 two 25th March
2017 13th March
2018 23rd April
25th April
2020 13th March
2022 two 17th March
12th June

BLACK KITE *Milvus migrans*

One record. Another was seen over the dock in the distance 2022.

2016 26th July

WHITE-TAILED EAGLE *Haliaeetus albicilla*

One record.

2015 23rd March

ROUGH-LEGGED BUZZARD *Buteo lagopus*

Two records, the first flying south and the one the following day flying in off and inland.

1994 26th October

27th October

DARK-BREASTED BARN OWL *Tyto alba guttata*

One record of a juvenile that presumably hitched a lift to Felixstowe on a ship from the near continent. Recent analysis of photographs taken at the time does not conclusively prove the identification.

1997 11th June

SNOWY OWL *Bubo scandiacus*

Two records. The 2001 bird was present for several weeks in the area but was only known to be in the recording area on the date below. The 1885 record is of a bird shot at the lighthouse that existed in those days.

1885 9th February (shot)

2001 25th October

TAWNY OWL *Strix aluco*

One or three birds. It is conceivable that the 1995 records could also refer to the long staying bird.

1989 7th October intermittently to 19th January 1994

1995 21st March

2nd, 16th & 27th August (presumed same)

HOOPOE *Upupa epops*

Seven "recent" records although another sighting of two to three birds present during the days of army occupation in the last century (late 1940's/1950's) is undocumented. The 1992 bird moved north to the area around Sangamo's factory until 14th.

1987 1st September

1988 28th to 29th April

1992 11th to 12th September

2009 15th April

2018 19th October

2019 23rd June

2023 4th May

BEE-EATER *Merops apiaster*

Eight records.

2002 21st July
2004 2nd May
2005 20th June
2008 5th June
9th July
2014 6th May
2019 two 24th Jun
2022 18th June

LESSER SPOTTED WOODPECKER *Dryobates minor*

Nine records. One 4th October 1993 had been ringed Fagbury Cliff 30th August.

1983 13th August
1984 14th February
8th September
1985 14th October
1987 15th September
1990 14th September
1993 22nd June
3rd August
4th October

RED-FOOTED FALCON *Falco vespertinus*

Four records, the first a first year male that spent several hours feeding on site.

1992 30th May
2007 28th June
2015 16th June
2019 13th September

GREAT GREY SHRIKE *Lanius excubitor*

19 records. All of the 1984 birds moved inland soon after they were seen as did the individuals in 1991, 1993, 2001 & 2015. The 2007 bird also moved inland soon after it stopped raining that day.

1978 1st October
1979 15th to 18th October
1984 5th October
6th October
two 7th October
1991 17th October
1993 22nd October
1995 12th October
2001 9th November
2007 28th September
2013 13th to 21st October
2014 17th to 18th October
2015 12th October
15th October
two 19th October
2016 3rd October
5th October
2017 30th October
2019 22nd October

STEPPE GREY SHRIKE *Lanius excubitor pallidirostris*

One record, the third British record. First Suffolk record.

1986 6th December

WOODCHAT SHRIKE *Lanius senator*

Two records of juveniles.

1977 17th to 21st August

1994 14th to 16th September

GOLDEN ORIOLE *Oriolus oriolus*

Five records.

1984 20th May

31st May

1998 28th & 29th May

2005 16th May

2008 3rd June

CHOUGH *Pyrhocorax pyrrhocorax*

One record, the only Suffolk record, although its authenticity has been questioned.

1888 two 2nd April

NORDIC/EASTERN JACKDAW *Corvus monedula monedula*

Six birds showing characteristics of the above. The first of a trapped bird, others have possibly been overlooked amongst migrant Jackdaws flying over.

1994 14th to 15th October

2011 29th to 30th March

2015 16th May

2018 5th March

2019 23rd October

2023 20th to 24th April

HOODED CROW *Corvus cornix*

Eight records. The species was formerly common on the Suffolk coast in winter so other older records may exist. The 2017 was later seen on several dates in south Felixstowe.

1981 15th May

26th October

1985 30th October

1995 12th April

1999 17th October

2012 7th October

11th December

2017 16th May

RAVEN *Corvus corax*

Four records.

1884 two 22nd June

1886 two 16th December

1993 30th October

1996 5th March

MARSH TIT *Poecile palustris*

Six records.

1987 20th June

2005 22nd June

2009 16th June

2014 9th September

2021 22nd June

2022 16th June

WILLOW TIT *Poecile montanus*

Five records.

1980 19th September

1983 25th September

1988 26th June

2000 22nd April

2009 14th June

BEARDED TIT *Panurus biarmicus*

Five records. Another record in September/October 1973 is proving impossible to date with any accuracy.

1887 16th February

1988 12th October

2010 15th October

2017 ten 19th October

2019 two 27th October

CRESTED LARK *Galerida cristata*

One record, the 20th British record. First Suffolk record.

1996 2nd & 9th October

SHORT-TOED LARK *Calandrella brachydactyla*

Five records.

1992 23rd to 25th September

1996 21st to 22nd May

1997 29th June to 1st July

2001 8th to 10th May

2020 15th May

RED-RUMPED SWALLOW *Cecropis daurica*

13 records of 14 birds.

1987 two 28th October

1994 26th October

2007 22nd April

25th April

1st May

2009 3rd May

2011 14th May

2012 11th May

2013 26th September

2015 7th June

2017 9th May

2018 21st April

2020 27th April

WESTERN BONELLI'S WARBLER *Phylloscopus bonelli*

Three records (although the first record was not assigned to “Western”, it is probably this species).

1981 13th September

1996 2nd to 25th October

2000 27th to 29th May

RADDE'S WARBLER *Phylloscopus schwarzi*

Six records.

1991 8th to 9th October

1995 15th October

2004 27th October
2006 10th to 12th October
2016 6th October
2020 13th October

DUSKY WARBLER *Phylloscopus fuscatus*

Four records. The 1987 bird was the first for Suffolk.

1987 27th October to 1st November
2001 23rd to 29th October
2004 20th October to 4th November
2014 16th to 20th November

IBERIAN CHIFFCHAFF *Phylloscopus ibericus*

One record. First Suffolk record.

2017 1st June

GREENISH WARBLER *Phylloscopus trochiloides*

Seven records, four singing males, two not singing in June and an autumn bird.

1992 28th May
1997 8th July
2009 17th to 18th September
2012 26th May
2014 27th May
2017 20th to 21st June
2023 18th June

ARCTIC WARBLER *Phylloscopus borealis*

Two records.

2009 1st to 2nd September
2016 20th to 21st September

GREAT REED WARBLER *Acrocephalus arundinaceus*

One record of one singing for three days.

2017 7th to 9th May

AQUATIC WARBLER *Acrocephalus paludicola*

One record.

2023 30th August

PADDYFIELD WARBLER *Acrocephalus agricola*

One record, the 16th British record. First Suffolk record.

1988 11th June

BLYTH'S REED WARBLER *Acrocephalus dumetorum*

Two records.

2016 10th October
2023 15th June

BOOTED WARBLER *Iduna caligata*

Two records including the first for Suffolk as a previous record in 'Watsonian' Suffolk is listed in the national archive for Norfolk

2011 16th October
2023 18th August

MELODIOUS WARBLER *Hippolais polyglotta*

Nine records, all adults. The 2009 bird moved to just outside the recording area the following day.

1983 7th to 13th May
1995 31st May
1996 30th May

1997 14th June
1998 17th June
2000 27th July
2001 1st July
2009 17th May
2020 30th April

LANCEOLATED WARBLER *Locustella lanceolata*

One record. First Suffolk record.

1997 26th September

SAVI'S WARBLER *Locustella luscinioides*

One record. The validity of this record has been questioned with many observers suggesting it was actually a Grasshopper Warbler trapped on the same date.

1989 23rd April

SARDINIAN WARBLER *Curruca melanocephala*

One record of a male. First Suffolk record.

1994 20th May

WESTERN SUBALPINE WARBLER *Curruca iberiae*

Three records, all males. The 1987 bird was the first for Suffolk.

1987 8th to 10th June

1988 23rd to 24th April

2008 29th to 30th May

EASTERN SUBALPINE WARBLER *Curruca cantillans*

Four records of five birds, all males except for two females in 1993. The 1986 bird was the first for Suffolk. Another in August/September 2014 was just outside the recording area.

1986 25th September to 2nd October

1989 30th May

1993 two 28th May

2013 26th to 27th April

SPECTACLED WARBLER *Curruca conspicillata*

One record, the second British record. First Suffolk record.

1997 26th April to 2nd May

DARTFORD WARBLER *Curruca undata*

At least 14 birds.

1995 16th May

2004 3rd October

2008 22nd October

2009 4th November

2013 2nd November

2016 10th October

2017 10th October

2019 16th October

2020 3rd October

2nd November

2021 10th October

6th, 12th, 17th & 19th November

2022 29th & 31st October

2023 29th October

NUTHATCH *Sitta europaea*

Four records.

1999 2nd April
2006 25th June
2013 26th June
2014 6th June

TREECREEPER *Certhia familiaris*

19 records. 17 juveniles plus a spring bird. The 2003 bird showed characteristics of the nominate race *C.f.familiaris*.

1987 31st July to 1st August
1988 18th to 19th October
1990 3rd August
1997 14th to 15th September
2002 25th June
2003 18th October
2004 26th June
2006 4th September
2007 27th to 28th June
2009 27th June
24th September
2010 8th to 14th April
11th October
2011 22nd June
4th July
2016 22nd June
3rd July
27th to 31st July
2017 15th to 16th June

SHORT-TOED TREECREEPER *Certhia brachydactyla*

One record. The first for Suffolk.

2011 24th March to 6th April

ROSE-COLOURED STARLING *Pastor roseus*

15 birds.

1993 juv 4th to 9th September
2001 12th June
juv 16th to 17th October
2003 juv 28th September
2005 juv 7th to 8th September
2006 juv 2nd October
2012 first-summer 25th May
2018 2nd to 4th June
3rd June
2020 9th June
2021 6th to 7th June
9th June
15th June
2023 2nd June
juv 8th October

THRUSH NIGHTINGALE *Luscinia luscinia*

Three records. The 1984 bird was the first for Suffolk.

1984 13th to 14th May
1995 27th August to 15th September

1997 28th to 29th September

RED-FLANKED BLUETAIL *Tarsiger cyanurus*

Three records. The first of an adult male, the 15th British record. First for Suffolk.

1994 26th October

2011 14th November

2019 23rd March

RED-BREASTED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula parva*

19 birds, six in spring & 13 in autumn.

1977 9th May

21st October

1984 5th to 7th October

1988 14th October

1990 8th October

1992 30th May

7th June

1993 11th June

1995 12th June

1999 19th May

2002 10th September

15th September

2005 16th to 17th October

2007 2nd October

2009 14th September

2014 15th September

2019 22nd September

2020 3rd to 5th October

5th October

SIBERIAN STONECHAT *Saxicola maurus* ?

Two records of unknown race.

1979 13th October

1984 7th to 10th October

SIBERIAN STONECHAT *Saxicola maurus hemprichii*

One record of a first winter male, the second British record of the race *hemprichii*.

First Suffolk record.

1993 11th September

AMUR STONECHAT *Saxicola stejnegeri*

One record of a first winter male, the second British record. First Suffolk record.

2016 6th to 7th October

ISABELLINE WHEATEAR *Oenanthe isabellina*

Two records, the 19th & 22nd British records.

2001 21st September

2005 4th October

DESERT WHEATEAR *Oenanthe deserti*

One record of a first-winter male, the 15th British record. First Suffolk record.

1987 20th to 24th October

PIED WHEATEAR *Oenanthe pleschanka*

One record of an adult male.

2015 2nd to 3rd November

SPANISH SPARROW *Passer hispaniolensis*

One male. The ninth British record. First Suffolk record.

2012 24th August, 1st to 2nd, 6th & 10th to 14th September

BLACK-HEADED WAGTAIL *Motacilla flava feldegg*

One record, the fourth British record. First Suffolk record.

1985 30th June

GREY-HEADED WAGTAIL *Motacilla flava thunbergi*

At least 18 individuals.

1987 29th April

1989 14th May

1992 four 30th May three to 31st & one to 1st June
3rd to 4th June

1994 two 15th September one to 16th

1995 17th to 18th September

1998 17th May

1999 6th to 7th May

2005 1st to 2nd May

2007 30th May

2011 10th to 11th May

2013 6th September

2014 26th May

2018 11th June

CITRINE WAGTAIL *Motacilla citreola*

One record of an adult female.

2008 29th August

RICHARD'S PIPIT *Anthus richardi*

11 records of 12 birds.

1977 24th to 26th September
22nd October

1980 20th to 24th October

1988 21st October

1994 3rd October
two 16th November

1996 30th October

1998 29th September

2000 15th October

2011 1st October

2020 3rd October

BLYTH'S PIPIT *Anthus godlewskii*

One record, the sixth British record. First Suffolk record.

1994 4th to 10th November

TAWNY PIPIT *Anthus campestris*

14 records.

1979 13th October

1980 21st September

1982 16th September

1989 12th to 19th September

1991 28th May

1992 22nd to 25th August

1993 16th September

1994 16th October

1997 6th August

2004 10th September
2009 24th September
2011 24th September
2012 6th May
2018 30th August

RED-THROATED PIPIT *Anthus cervinus*

Four records. Others flying over have possibly been overlooked.

2011 13th September
2013 29th October
2014 23rd September
2017 27th to 30th September

WATER PIPIT *Anthus spinoletta*

Three records.

1978 1st April
2003 17th April
2019 21st April

NORTHERN BULLFINCH *Pyrrhula pyrrhula pyrrhula*

One record of a male. Others may have been present in the past but were not documented. A Bullfinch 17th November 2014 was possibly this race based on its call.

2002 7th to 9th November

TRUMPETER FINCH *Bucanetes githagineus*

One record, the eight British record.

2005 21st to 26th May.

COMMON ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus erythrina*

16 birds including adult males in 1996 & 2004. The only definite juvenile was the bird trapped in 2002.

1995 8th June
1996 8th July
1997 21st & 24th July
2001 26th August
2002 12th September
2004 14th August
2006 17th September
2008 29th May
4th June
2010 25th May
2014 27th May
2018 31st May
2020 two 2nd June
2023 18th May
18th to 19th June

LITTLE BUNTING *Emberiza pusilla*

Six records.

1986 10th October
1987 19th October
2006 18th to 19th October
2012 24th April
2018 17th October
2020 two 29th October

RUSTIC BUNTING *Emberiza rustica*

Two records.

1992 3rd October

2008 23rd to 24th September

YELLOW-BREASTED BUNTING *Emberiza aureola*

Two records, although the second individual was an adult male & showed signs of incarceration and was probably a wild bird transported into Europe by man. The 1993 bird was the first for Suffolk.

1993 4th September

1999 12th August

WHITE-THROATED SPARROW *Zonotrichia albicollis*

One record

2014 19th June

LARK SPARROW *Chondestes grammacus*

One record, the first British record. First Suffolk record.

1981 30th June to 8th July

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