

Spotted Redshank. Albufera, Mallorca, Spain. 13th April 2011.
Photo: Graham Clarke.



List of *Tringa* Waders with References

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Introduction

This is the final version of the *Tringa* wader's list, no further updates will be made. Grateful thanks to Graham Clarke (<http://grahamsphoto.blogspot.com/>) and Tom Shevlin (www.irishbirds.ie) for the cover images and all those who responded with constructive feedback. All images © the photographers.

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Green Sandpiper

Tringa ochropus [Linnaeus].

Scandinavia & E Europe E thru C Asia to E Siberia with isolated populations in Kyrgyzstan & NW Xinjiang (NW China). Winters Mediterranean & tropical Africa and Turkey thru the Middle East & Indian subcontinent to S Japan, E China, Philippines & N Borneo with some few wintering in W & WC Europe and sheltered valleys of Tien Shan Mts. (C Asia).

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Solitary Sandpiper

Tringa solitaria [Wilson].

[*T.s. solitaria*] E British Columbia E thru SC Canada to Quebec & Labrador. Winters Central America and West Indies S to Argentina and occasionally S USA.

[*T.s. cinnamomea*] C & S Alaska thru W Northwest Territories and N British Columbia E to NE Manitoba. Winters N South America S to C Argentina.

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Wandering Tattler

Tringa incana [Gmelin].

Extreme NE Siberia & S Alaska E to the Yukon R & NW British Columbia. Winters SW USA & W Mexico, Ecuador & Galápagos Islands and Hawaiian Islands and C & S Pacific Islands to E New Guinea & NE Australia.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1996 as *Heteroscelus incanus*.

Other name: American Grey-rumped Sandpiper.

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Grey-tailed Tattler

Tringa brevipes [Vieillot].

Putorana Mts (NC & NE Siberia) and Verkhoyansk Mts & Transbaikalia E to Anadyrland and probably Kamchatka & N Kuril Islands. Winters Taiwan, Malay peninsula & Philippines thru Indonesia, New Guinea & Solomon Islands to Australia with some few reaching New Zealand, Fiji & Tuvalu.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1996 as *Heteroscelus brevipes*.

Other names: Grey-rumped Tattler, Polynesian Tattler, Siberian Tattler, Grey-tailed Sandpiper, Grey-rumped Sandpiper.

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Lesser Yellowlegs

Tringa flavipes [Gmelin].

Alaska S to SC Canada and E to James Bay. Winters S USA S thru Mexico & Central America and West Indies S to Tierra del Fuego.

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Willet

Tringa semipalmata [Gmelin].

[*T.s. semipalmata*] Nova Scotia & New Brunswick S along Atlantic & Gulf of Mexico coasts of USA and West Indies. Winters Atlantic & Gulf of Mexico coasts of USA & Mexico S thru Central America & West Indies S to S Brazil.

[*T.s. inornata*] C Alberta & SW Manitoba S to N Colorado & W Nebraska. Winters coastal S USA to N South America mainly on Pacific coast and S to N Chile.

The eastern and western forms are probably full species in their own right (Oswald *et al.* 2016).

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1996 as *Catoptrophorus semipalmatus*.

Other name: Eastern Willet (*semipalmata*).

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Redshank

Tringa totanus [Linnaeus].

[*T.t. totanus*] Orkney, Shetland & N Scandinavia S thru Ireland & Britain to Iberian peninsula, N Italy, Tunisia & Turkey and E to W Siberia. Winters Mediterranean to tropical Africa, India & Indonesia.

[*T.t. robusta*] Iceland, Faeroes and possibly Scotland. Winters Ireland, Britain & W Europe.

[*T.t. ussuriensis*] S Siberia & Mongolia E to N Manchuria & Russian Far East. Winters E Mediterranean & E Africa thru Red Sea, Persian Gulf & Arabia to W India and probably further E.

[*T.t. terrignotae*] S Manchuria. Winters in SE & E Asia.

[*T.t. craggi*] NW Xinjiang (NW China). Winters probably E China.

[*T.t. eurhina*] Pamir Mts. (C Asia), N India and C & S Tibet. Winters India.

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Marsh Sandpiper

Tringa stagnatilis [Bechstein 1803, Germany].

W Russia & E Ukraine E to EC Siberia with isolated populations in Ussuriland & W Heilongjiang (NE China). Winters Mediterranean & sub-Saharan Africa thru Persian Gulf & S Asia to Indonesia & Australia.

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Wood Sandpiper

Tringa glareola [Linnaeus 1758, Sweden].

N Europe E thru C Siberia to Anadyrland, Kamchatka & Commander Islands and occasionally Aleutian Islands. Winters mainly tropical & subtropical Africa and S Asia E to S China, Philippines, Indonesia & Australia.

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Spotted Redshank

Tringa erythropus [Pallas 1764, Netherlands].

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Greenshank

Tringa nebularia [Gunnerus 1767, district of Trondheim, Norway].

N Scotland & Scandinavia E thru C Asia to E Siberia & Kamchatka. Winters W Europe thru Mediterranean to Africa and E thru Middle East to S Asia, Indonesia & Australasia.

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Nordmann's Greenshank

Tringa guttifer [Nordmann 1835, Okhotsk].

Sakhalin & western Sea of Okhotsk and possibly northern Sea of Okhotsk & Kamchatka. Winters NE India, Bangladesh, Myanmar & Hainan S to Malay peninsula and possibly South Korea.

Other name: Spotted Greenshank.

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- Tringa melanoleuca*** [Gmelin 1789, Chateaux Bay, Labrador].
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Winters British Columbia & the Carolinas S thru Mexico & Central America and West Indies S to Tierra del Fuego.
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