

These photos show some of the the birds that can be seen regularly in everyday locations in Malaysia and Thailand, photographed by myself when I happened to see them. This listing was started in December 2023.

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Birds of the year 2023-2024

COMMON SANDPIPER (*Tringa Hypoleucos*)

A winter migrant from northern Eurasia.

6 Dec 2023, at E&O Hotel shorefront, Penang, Malaysia.



Birds of the year 2023-2024

ZEBRA DOVE (*Geopelia Striata*)

Looking a little bit puffed up in the unseasonably cool weather for the time of year in Bangkok.

26 Dec 2023, jim Thompson outlet store, Bang Chak, Bangkok, Thailand



Birds of the year 2023-2024

VARIABLE SUNBIRD (CINNYRIS VENUSTUS)

A small (typically 10cm long overall) but brilliantly coloured bird living in the urban foliage in this part of central Bangkok. This bird is also popularly known as the Yellow-bellied Sunbird – a name that is informally used for several subspecies of sunbird, including the fairly common Olive-backed Sunbird seen in Malaysia . It is believed that “variable” in this bird’s English name refers to the fact that it is found in different places with many variations in the standard colouring. The Variable Sunbird is fairly common in the highlands of eastern Africa, less so in parts of Asia further east

29 Dec 2023, at Jim Thonpson Art Museum, central Bangkok, Thailand



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PIED FANTAIL (*Rhipidura Javanica*)

Good to see this winter migrant from northern Eurasia still around at home upon our return from Bangkok.

5 Jan 2024, at Quayside Condominium, Penang, Malaysia.



Birds of the year 2023-2024

PIED FANTAIL (*Rhipidura Javanica*)

A couple more pictures of our local friendly Pied Fantail.

18 Jan 2024, at Quayside Condominium, Penang, Malaysia.



Birds of the year 2023-2024

YELLOW-VENTED BULBUL (*Pycnonotus Goiavier*)

This small bird, seen just off our balcony, looks wet and puffed up as he rests during a rain shower.

23 Jan 2024, from our balcony at Quayside Condominium, Penang, Malaysia.



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A VERY SMALL BIRD, probably COMMON TAILOR BIRD (*Orthotomus Sutorius*)

A fleeting glimpse of another very small (10cm overall) bird that frequents our property. The short, but nevertheless thin and pointed beak distinguishes it from the other small bird of this size, the Olive-backed Sunbird, that has a longer and noticeably curved beak.

14 Feb 2024 from our balcony at Quayside Condominium, Penang, Malaysia.



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OLIVE-BACKED SUNBIRD (*Cinnyris Jugularis*)

A very small (10cm overall) but common bird feeding on flower nectar and sometimes small insects. There are a number of subvarieties covered by the general grouping of "olive-backed sunbird". The absence of a frontal view makes it difficult to be more precise in this photo. The distinctive sunbird beak (thin, pointed, curved) is clearly visible here. The dark blue or black "bib", indicating a male, is also just visible here

17 Feb 2024, on our balcony at Quayside Condominium, Penang, Malaysia.



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YELLOW-VENTED BULBUL (*Pycnonotus Goiavier*)

One of the very common Yellow-vented Bulbul birds perches on the tree close to our balcony.

26 Feb 2024 seen from our balcony at Quayside Condominium, Penang, Malaysia.



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WHITE-BELLIED SEA EAGLE (*Haliaeetus Leucogaster*)

A shot of this large eagle (also known as Fish Eagle) cruising over the sea near where we live.

14 May 2024, from our balcony, Quayside Condominium, Penang, Malaysia.

