

Birdwatching



The Marshland plays a fundamental role in the migratory routes between the Tyrrhenian coast and the interior, hosting more than 200 different species of birds during the course of the year. Therefore the marshland offers exceptional opportunities for birdwatchers and nature photographers, especially during the spring migration and the breeding season. The passage of the migratory birds, together with the cyclical alternating of dry periods with floods, still today shows the natural rhythm of the seasons: an aspect of the Marshland that can be appreciated only with repeated visits over time.

To encourage the enjoyment of the marsh and, at the same time, protect the avifauna from human interference, screened routes and observatories to view the fauna have been set up, like that of "Le Morette" (a renovated, old hunting and fishing cabin) that allows a perfect view over the natural reserve's open water areas.

["Le Morette" nature itinerary](#) [1]

184 species likely to see

Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>
Black-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>
Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>
Eurasian Bittern	<i>Botaurus stellaris</i>
Little Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus minutus</i>
Black-crowned Night-heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>
Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>

Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>
Great White Egret	<i>Casmerodius albus</i>
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>
Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>
Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>
European White Stork	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>
Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>
Eurasian Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>
Greylag Goose	<i>Anser anser</i>
Common Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>
Eurasian Wigeon	<i>Anas penelope</i>
Gadwall	<i>Anas strepera</i>
Common Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>
Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>
Garganey	<i>Anas querquedula</i>
Northern Shoveler	<i>Anas clypeata</i>
Common Pochard	<i>Aythya ferina</i>
Ferruginous Duck	<i>Aythya nyroca</i>
Tufted Duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>
Western Honey-buzzard	<i>Pernis apivorus</i>
Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>
Short-toed Snake-eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>
Western Marsh-harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>
Hen Harrier	<i>Circus cyaneus</i>
Montagu's Harrier	<i>Circus pygargus</i>
Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>
Eurasian Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>

Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>
Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>
Red-footed Falcon	<i>Falco vespertinus</i>
Merlin	<i>Falco columbarius</i>
Eurasian Hobby	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
Common Quail	<i>Coturnix coturnix</i>
Ring-necked Pheasant	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>
Water Rail	<i>Rallus aquaticus</i>
Spotted Crake	<i>Porzana porzana</i>
Little Crake	<i>Porzana parva</i>
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
Common Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>
Eurasian Crane	<i>Grus grus</i>
Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
Pied Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>
Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>
Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>
Eurasian Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>
Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>
Northern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>
Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>
Temminck's Stint	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>
Curlew Sandpiper	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>
Dunlin	<i>Calidris alpina</i>
Ruff	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>
Jack Snipe	<i>Lymnocyrtus minimus</i>
Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>
Great Snipe	<i>Gallinago media</i>
Eurasian Woodcock	<i>Scolopax rusticola</i>

Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>
Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>
Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>
Spotted Redshank	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>
Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>
Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>
Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>
Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
Little Gull	<i>Hydrocoloeus minutus</i>
Common Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>
Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>
Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>
Gull-billed Tern	<i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i>
Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>
Sandwich Tern	<i>Sterna sandvicensis</i>
Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>
Little Tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>
Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybridus</i>
Black Tern	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>
White-winged Tern	<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>
Stock Dove	<i>Columba oenas</i>
Common Woodpigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>
Eurasian Collared-dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>
European Turtle-dove	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>
Common Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>
Common Barn-owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>
Eurasian Scops-owl	<i>Otus scops</i>

Little Owl	<i>Athene noctua</i>
Tawny Owl	<i>Strix aluco</i>
Northern Long-eared Owl	<i>Asio otus</i>
Short-eared Owl	<i>Asio flammeus</i>
European Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus europaeus</i>
Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>
Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>
European Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>
European Roller	<i>Coracias garrulus</i>
Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>
Eurasian Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>
Eurasian Green Woodpecker	<i>Picus viridis</i>
Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>
Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>
Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>
Eurasian Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>
Collared Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
Northern House Martin	<i>Delichon urbica</i>
Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>
Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>
Water Pipit	<i>Anthus spinoletta</i>
Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>
White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>
Northern Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>
Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>
European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>
Common Nightingale	<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>
Bluethroat	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>

Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>
Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>
Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>
Common Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquata</i>
Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>
Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>
Fieldfare	<i>Turdus pilaris</i>
Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>
Redwing	<i>Turdus iliacus</i>
Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>
Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>
Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>
Savi's Warbler	<i>Locustella luscinioides</i>
Moustached Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus melanopogon</i>
Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>
Eurasian Reed-warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>
Great Reed-warbler	<i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>
Melodious Warbler	<i>Hippolais polyglotta</i>
Sardinian Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>
Common Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>
Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>
Wood Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>
Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>
Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>
Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>
Common Firecrest	<i>Regulus ignicapillus</i>
Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>
European Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>
Bearded Parrotbill	<i>Panurus biarmicus</i>

Northern Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>
Coal Tit	<i>Parus ater</i>
Common Blue Tit	<i>Parus caeruleus</i>
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>
Eurasian Nuthatch	<i>Sitta europaea</i>
Short-toed Treecreeper	<i>Certhia brachydactyla</i>
Eurasian Penduline-tit	<i>Remiz pendulinus</i>
Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>
Red-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius collurio</i>
Great Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius excubitor</i>
Woodchat Shrike	<i>Lanius senator</i>
Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>
Common Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>
Eurasian Jackdaw	<i>Corvus monedula</i>
Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>
Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>
Italian Sparrow	<i>Passer italiae</i>
Eurasian Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>
Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>
Brambling	<i>Fringilla montifringilla</i>
European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>
European Greenfinch	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>
European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>
Eurasian Siskin	<i>Carduelis spinus</i>
Common Linnet	<i>Carduelis cannabina</i>
Hawfinch	<i>Coccothraustes coccothraustes</i>
Reed Bunting	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>
Corn Bunting	<i>Miliaria calandra</i>
Red Avadavat	<i>Amandava amandava</i>

RARITA'



Piovanello pettorale (*Calidris melanotos*) osservato il 9 ottobre 2010 da Andrea Vezzani nell'area de Le Morette: un accidentale, segnalato per la prima volta nel Padule di Fucecchio.



Ibis sacro (*Threskiornis aethiopicus*) in Padule da ottobre 2012: prima segnalazione per il Padule di Fucecchio.

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