

Day 1

scientific programme

14 Nov.	Auditorium	Programme organization: All interventions feature one name only: Oral presentations - the speaker's name Posters - 1st author's name Duration of the interventions: Standard talks - 12 mins Speed talks - 5 mins
08:00	Registration	
10:00	Welcome Session	
	Junta de Extremadura Vulture Conservation in Extremadura	
	MITECO Vulture Conservation in Spain	
	José Tavares Vulture Conservation in Europe	
11:45	Coffee break	
12:15	Sergio Lambertucci Old and new threats for Neotropical vultures: what is happening with the Andean Condor and other vultures	
	Questions & Discussion	
12:55	Julien Hirschinger & Olivier Duriez Investigating the 2022 H5N1 Outbreak in French Griffon Vultures	
	Jovan Andevski Wildlife Crime Academy	
	Questions & Discussion	
13:35	Lunch	

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Sala Europa

Sala García Matos

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Rafael Mateo

Daily incidence of lead ammunition ingestion in Griffon Vulture in Spain: comparing estimations from regurgitated pellets and blood analysis

Cloé Pourchier

The conservation of vultures in an interconnected world: focus on West and Central Africa

Alex Llopis Dell

The Bearded Vulture EEP and its contribution to the advance of knowledge about its biology

Enrico Bassi

Lead ammunition: a widespread threat, hampering the conservation of large avian scavengers in south-central Europe

Fadzai Matsvimbo

Belief-based use of vultures in Africa: Finding the balance between conservation and culture

Shannon Hoffman

Bred 4 the Wild – Managing the southern Bearded Vulture for ex-situ breeding success

Andrea Bonisoli-Alquati

Lead and oxidative stress in migrant and resident Turkey Vultures in California

Sebastián Kohn

Andean Condor research and conservation in Ecuador

Jemima Parry-Jones

Conservation breeding as a conservation tool for South Asian Gyps Vultures

Questions & Discussion

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Marta Herrero Villar

Monitoring veterinary pharmaceutical residues in livestock carcasses and avian scavengers: new compounds in the spotlight

MsAP Roundtable

Mohamed Amezian
Vulture research and conservation in Morocco: Assessment of progress in the framework of the Vulture MsAP

Alex Llopis Dell

Best practice how to release Bearded Vultures into the wild

Chris Bowden

Update on addressing the ongoing threat to vultures of veterinary drugs

André Botha

Preliminary report and results of the CMS Vulture MsAP Mid-term Implementation Review

Marleen Huyghe

Analysis of various release techniques for Cinereous Vultures to determine key factors for an optimal release strategy

Sophie Cook

Are the processes regulating the licensing of veterinary NSAIDs in vulture range states fit-for-purpose?

Umberto Gallo-Orsi & Iván Ramírez

The Convention on Migratory Species and beyond: Collaborative efforts for vulture conservation

Emilian Stoynev

Griffon and Cinereous Vultures delayed release of captive bred individuals in reintroduction programmes in Bulgaria

Questions & Discussion

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Jorge Rodríguez-Pérez

Sentinel species to inform conservation efforts: an example using Griffon and Bearded Vultures to fight against wildlife poisoning

Ursula Höfle

Tackling the infectious threat: Vaccination against West Nile Virus in captive Bearded Vultures

Ilaria Fozzi

Effect of different release strategies on the movements and mortality of restocked Griffon Vultures (*Gyps fulvus*) in Sardinia

Justo Martín Martín

Pair composition and reproductive success as indicators of the impact of poisoning and population health in a Cinereous Vulture (*Aegypius monachus*) population in Southwestern Spain

Alberto Sánchez-Cano

Highly pathogenic H5N1 Avian Influenza: A new threat to free-living and captive vultures

Nili Anglister

The effect of extreme weather conditions on the survival of translocated Griffon Vultures in a desert climate in Israel

Andre Botha

Using the African Wildlife Poisoning Database and other measures to reduce the impact of poisoning on African vultures and other wildlife

B. J. Nadales

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza A (H5N1) infection in Bearded Vultures in Spain, 2022

Ankit Bilash Joshi

Assessing the success of the release of captive White-rumped Vultures in Nepal

Questions & Discussion

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Uroš Pantović

LIFE Balkan Detox project: combating wildlife poisoning across the Balkan peninsula

Maria Patrícia Couto

The Vulture's Oral Microbiome: Interkingdom synergies as functional adaptations

Sofía Marrero Rocha

The contribution of AMUS to vulture recovery and conservation

Melpo Apostolidou

Focused anti-poison efforts to curb mortality rates of Griffon Vultures faced with local extinction in Cyprus

Celine Kalberer

Characterization of „silky“ phenotype in the European Bearded Vulture (*Gypaetus barbatus*)

Davide Montanari

Restoring and connecting Cinereous Vulture (*Aegypius monachus*) colonies to reestablish the former European range of distribution of the species

Victoria Saravia-Mullin

Pilot testing and assessment of methods to reduce human-wildlife conflict as driver of the use of poison in Greece

Slobodan Davidović

Using genetics for creating proper conservation strategies for protected species – the case of Griffon Vulture (*Gyps fulvus*)

Stoycho Stoychev

Reintroduction of the Cinereous Vulture in the Bulgarian part of the Eastern Rhodopes

Zouhair Amaouch

Exploring motivations and solutions: understanding poison use in human-wildlife conflicts and conservation management in Morocco

Philippe Helsen

Vultures translocations: a model to evaluate the impact of genetics in species restoration

Simeon Marin

Large vultures' reintroductions in Bulgaria, update 2023

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	09:00	<p>Marcos Moleon Pais Vultures, predators and humans: a story of interactions</p> <p>Pascual Lopez Lopez Conservation challenges and opportunities for migratory vultures: a movement ecology perspective</p> <p>Questions & Discussion</p>	
10:15	<p>Katherine Steinfield Carrion converging: Skull shape is predicted by feeding ecology in vultures</p> <p>Milene Matos LIFE Aegyptus Return: Consolidating the return of the Critically Endangered Cinereous Vulture (<i>Aegyptius monachus</i>) to Portugal and Western Spain</p> <p>Questions & Discussion</p> <p>Cultural Moment</p>		
11:20	Coffee Break		
	Auditorium	Sala Europa	Sala García Matos
11:50	<p>Corinne Kendall Using survival analysis from telemetry and transects to assess short-term population trends in vultures</p>	<p>Olivier Duriez How hungry are Griffon Vultures ?</p>	<p>María Jesús Palacios Threats for carrion birds in Extremadura and their management</p>
	<p>John Mallord High annual survival rates and breeding success aid continued recovery of the Critically Endangered White-rumped Vulture (<i>Gyps bengalensis</i>) population in Nepal</p>	<p>Mattie Purinton The effects of food predictability on the foraging ecology of African White-backed Vultures (<i>Gyps africanus</i>)</p>	<p>Fiammetta Berlinguer LIFE Safe for Vultures – implementation of conservation actions and population status</p>

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Andrea Santangeli

Project SURVIVALIST:
SURVIVAL in Space and
Time: Identifying mortality
bottlenecks along the annual
cycle of vultures

David Delgado

Management of food
availability as a conservation
tool for the Cinereous Vulture
population (*Aegypius monachus*)
in the Portuguese-Spanish
bordering area

Nikola Novović

Vulture status and
perspective in Montenegro -
Insights and Challenges

Questions & Discussion

12:40

Eneko Arrondo

Interspecific relationships
during Griffon Vulture
overwintering in Africa

Richard Zink

Of vultures and drones:
Assessing the potential of
Unmanned Aircraft Systems
for European vultures research

Sylvia Zakkak

Wildfire effects on Cinereous
Vulture breeding and habitat
use in the Dadia-Lefkimi-Soufli
Forest National Park

Chandra David

Release Strategies for the
California Condor Recovery
Program

Carlota Viada Sauleda

First photographic census
of Black Vultures and
Griffon Vultures in Mallorca

Eduardo Santos

Cinereous Vulture (*Aegypius
monachus*) recolonization
of Herdade da Contenda
(Southeastern Portugal):
characterisation, evolution
and conservation

Estelle Sandhaus

Patterns of parental
investment in nesting
California Condors

Yohan Sassi

Vultures' foraging network:
a century-old hypothesis
investigated with radar

Pedro Ribeiro

The discovery of a new
colony of Cinereous Vultures
in Malcata Nature Reserve:
population status and prospects

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Poster-Session

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Irene Estellés-Domingo

Wind farms and raptors: unveiling the challenges and solutions for vulture conservation

Toni Wegscheider

The Bearded Vulture in Germany – results from the first three releases (2021-2023)

Hristo Peshev

GPS tracking data relates vulture mortality due to acute intoxication at a considerable distance from the site of poisoned bait consumption

Nicolò Borgianni

Monitoring Eurasian Griffon Vulture (*Gyps fulvus*) Collision with wind turbines in the central Apennines (Italy)

Sachin Ranade

The Vulture Reintroduction Program in Assam, India

Stoycho Stoychev

Antipoisoning activities in Bulgaria to enforce vultures conservation in the country

Dariusz Gorecki

To fly or not to fly in the rotor sweep zone? Detection-reaction systems can protect Griffon Vultures against collision on wind farm

Clément Daboné

Hooded Vultures, (*Necrosyrtes monachus*) are still declining in West Africa: nearly fifty-year assessment study (1969 - 2019)

Hanna Oosterhoff

Soaring through the central Apennines. Where (not) to go

Questions & Discussion

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Apostolis Kaltsis

Current status of Griffon Vulture (*Gyps fulvus*) in Greece: population monitoring results and identification of critical habitats

Candy Marleen Fahrenholz

Assessing vulture nesting site selection in Namibia: The influence of microscale landscape structures using drone-based methods. Survey of two endangered vulture species at Kuzikuz Wildlife Reserve

Anne K. Scharf

Vulture Research Consortium (VRC)

Dobromir Dobrev

Long-term Griffon Vulture population development in the Eastern Rhodopes, Bulgaria

Campbell Murn

Heading south, but to where? A shifting distribution of breeding Lappet-faced Vultures (*Torgos tracheliotos*) is impacted by fire and elephants in Kruger National Park, South Africa

Martina Scacco

The Drylands project

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Alyona Kaptyonkina

Griffon vulture (*Gyps fulvus*)
in Kazakhstan

Sandro López-Ramírez

Is southern Europe
environmentally favourable for
the long-term establishment
of Rüppell's Vulture (*Gyps rueppellii*)?

Tom Riffel

Tagging vultures in Zambia –
movement dynamics in
extensive wilderness areas

Mohammed Shobrak

Vulture conservation
status in Saudi Arabia

Michelle Marcano-Delgado

Spatio-temporal movements
and home range of Rüppell
Vultures in Europe

Irene Breda

Long distance movements in
a social obligate scavenger:
exploring the role of age, sex
and season

Alejandro Onrubia

Magnitude and trends of
vultures passage through
the Strait of Gibraltar

Questions & Discussion

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Roundtable 1

The IUCN SSC Vulture
Specialist Group (VSG)

Roundtable 2

Tackling vultures-livestock
incidents

Short Workshop

Positive communication
for vulture conservation

André Botha & Chris Bowden

An overview of the IUCN SSC
Vulture Specialist Group –
2012-2023

Fátima Domínguez Gigante

Multi-source data for dealing
with conflicts between
livestock farmers and vultures:
preliminary results from the
project LIFE Aegyptius Return

LIFE GypAct

Conflicts between livestock
farmers and vultures in France

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Cultural Visit to Cáceres

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Darcy Ogada

Drivers of vulture poisoning are not created equal: disproportionate effects and their likely impacts on African and migratory European population

Questions & Discussion

Jose Rafael Garrido López

Conservation Focus: Rüppell's Vulture along the Western Flyway

Keith Bildstein

Future potential advances in vulture conservation

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Mary Davies

The SAVE consortium: Saving Asia's Vultures from Extinction

Cecilia Gimeno Castellano

The natal dispersal of Canarian Egyptian Vultures: extrinsic and intrinsic drivers

Jon Etxebarria

Factors affecting collision risk in wide-ranging species: implications for large-scale wind energy development

Mary Malasa

The Vulture Safe Zone Initiative - creating safe havens for endangered vultures; successes and lessons learnt in Zambia

Krishna Prasad Bhusal

Testing of methods to evaluate population numbers of the Egyptian Vulture (*Neophron percnopterus*) in Nepal

Jacopo Cerri

Fast wind energy development in Sardinia and its overlap with movements of Griffon Vultures (*Gyps fulvus*)

Radhika Jha

Impact of climate change on the habitat suitability of three critically endangered vultures in northern India

Joan Real

Key factors behind the dynamic stability of the Egyptian Vulture breeding pairs census in continental Spain

Elena Bravo-Chaparro

Movement ecology to inform environmental planning of renewable energies: an example with Griffon Vultures and wind farms

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Gideon Vaadia

Accelerometer-based remote classification of Griffon Vulture behavior as a conservation tool

Marta Acácio

Ageing in nature: lifelong changes in the movement and social behaviour of Griffon Vultures

Eleanor Flatt

Vulture movements and health in a human dominated landscape in South Pacific Costa Rica

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JB Mihoub

Long-distance post-release movements challenge the metapopulation restoration of Bearded Vultures

Julien Terraube

Identifying the main drivers of young Bearded Vulture movements in three European subpopulations

Dorian Santos-Cottin

Back to the Alps: Trends in population size and drivers of breeding success in a reintroduced Bearded Vulture population

Jenny Weston

Mid-term Implementation Review of the Flyway Action Plan for the conservation of the Balkan and Central Asian populations of the Egyptian Vulture (*Neophron percnopterus*)

Vladimir Dobrev

Egyptian Vulture conservation at a flyway scale: Challenges and opportunities

Vladimir Dobrev

Where do Egyptian Vultures from Central Asia spend the winter?

Vladimir Dobrev

Reinforcement program for Egyptian Vultures leads to successful supplementation of the breeding population in the Balkans

Vladimir Dobrev

Recent stabilization of the Egyptian Vulture population in the Balkans

Alessandro Andreotti

LIFE Egyptian Vulture project – main results of actions carried out in Italy

Constance Blary

Visual perception of wind turbines by birds: focus on vultures and raptors

Anastasios Bounas

Population Viability Analysis for the Cinereous Vulture in Greece: Extinction Risk assessment under the future impact of windfarms

Elzbieta Kret

When green energy jeopardizes the conservation of threatened species: Cumulative effects of industrial wind farm development on the Cinereous and Griffon Vulture in Thrace, NE Greece.

Alvaro Camina

A review of camera detection systems in Spain to minimize wind energy impacts on vultures and other raptors

Alazar Daka

Impact to vultures of wind energy in Ethiopia, an emerging threat

Agustín Riopérez

DTBird tool for vulture protection and collision control at wind farms

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Pascal Orabi

LIFE GYPACT - Strengthening the reintroduction program to restore the *Gypaetus barbatus* metapopulation between the Alps and the Pyrenees

Antonio-Román Muñoz

From the first observations to the recent establishment: the paradox of a sub-Saharan species colonizing the western Palearctic

Brian McGowan

Global perspective on Insulation and Protection strategy to reduce risk of electrocution on distribution power line infrastructure

Anthony Andarelli

LIFE program GypRescue - Rescue of the Bearded Vultures' population of Corsica

Alejandro Onrubia

Rüppell's Vulture (*Gyps rueppelli*): A new vulture species for Europe?

Liam Innis

RGI's Bird Portal - Working with grid operators and civil society or bird protection around the grid

Juan Jiménez

Reintroduction of Bearded Vulture in the Maestrazgo (E Spain). Are we achieving the expected results?

Juan Ramírez

First confirmed data of Rüppell's Vulture breeding in Senegal: phenology and population estimation

Manon Quetstroey

LIFE SafeLines4Birds. Reducing bird mortality caused by power lines

Enrique Avila Lopez

Bearded Vulture Reintroduction Project in Andalusia: Results and population estimates through the use of camera traps located on cliffs

Maarten Vis

Breeding Rüppell's Vultures in European zoos

Rubén Moreno-Opo

Future prospects to reduce negative impacts of power lines

Questions & Discussion

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Franziska Loercher

An overview on Bearded Vulture conservation in Europe

Luis T. Costa

MAVA and vultures – a personal view on funding vulture conservation and the overall result

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Closing Session

Poster	Author	Title
#1	Kordian Bartoszuk	Wintering habitats of Egyptian Vultures (<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>) and Steppe Eagles (<i>Aquila nipalensis</i>) in India
#2	Hafeda Benmammar-Hasnaoui	Status and location of Algerian vulture populations
#3	Fanny Blais	Conservation and Education project, the importance of connections
#4	Alicia Carrero Ruiz	Comparative analysis of haemoglobin in healthy adult Cinereous Vultures (<i>Aegypius monachus</i>); establishing reference intervals in captivity
#5	Antonella Cordedda	The electrocution case of Bearded Vulture Ortler-BG439 forces us to make progress improving patient management
#6	Elisa Cristo Da Silva Gamero	Modelling the spatial distribution of the Egyptian Vulture (<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>) in Extremadura (SW Spain)
#7	David Fernández-Casado	Anticoagulant rodenticides in four species of vultures in Spain and France
#8	Dajana Davitkov	Retrospective study of asphyxia as a cause of mortality in population of Eurasian Griffon Vulture (<i>Gyps Fulvus</i>) in Serbia
#9	Davide De Rosa	A new breeding area for Egyptian Vultures (<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>) in Western Mediterranean: the first pair in Sardinia (Italy)
#10	Dobromir Dobrev	Habitat preferences of the Eurasian Griffon Vulture (<i>Gyps fulvus</i>) in Bulgaria to support species management
#11	Dobromir Dobrev	Modeling breeding habitat suitability of Griffon Vultures (<i>Gyps fulvus</i>) in Bulgaria and conservation planning
#12	Rachid El Khamichi	The first recolonisation of the European Griffon Vulture (<i>Gyps fulvus</i>) in Morocco
#13	Eleanor Flatt	Scouts vs Usurpers: Alternative foraging strategies facilitate coexistence between Neotropical Cathartid Vultures
#14	Andreia Garcês	A retrospective study in admission causes, and outcomes in three species of Vultures in the North of Portugal (2005- 2022)

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#15	Jose Rafael Garrido López	Winter census reveals increasing Griffon Vulture Population in South of Spain
#16	Jose Rafael Garrido López	Reducing Griffon Vulture electrocution mortality in Andalusia, South of Spain
#17	Juan Antonio Gil	Vitamin and mineral supplementation to improve the reproduction of Bearded Vultures (<i>Gypaetus barbatus</i>) in the Central Pyrenees (Aragon)
#18	Guillermo Gómez-López	Insularity determines nesting sex ratio variation in Egyptian Vulture populations
#19	Judith Guitart-Matas	Griffon Vulture (<i>Gyps fulvus</i>) as a potential sentinel of human pathogenic cephalosporin-resistant <i>Escherichia coli</i>
#20	Iván Gutiérrez	Longevity record verified in wild Griffon Vultures: the importance of monitoring supplementary feeding stations for avian scavengers
#21	Jose Maria Guzmán Bolaños	Interspecific competition for nesting sites among scavenger raptors in Extremadura, Spain: Current status and trend.
#22	Marta Herrero Villar	Caffeine as a biomarker of landfill use in Griffon Vulture
#23	Marleen Huyghe	Cinereous Vulture timeline
#24	Juan Ignacio Ibáñez Ulargui	First breeding attempts of Bearded Vultures in the Alto Najerilla Natural Park (La Rioja, Spain)
#25	Samuel Infante	Monitoring a Cinereous Vulture colony from 2010 to 2022 in Tejo Internacional Natural Park - Portugal
#26	Pablo Izquierdo	Early development of Cinereous Vultures (<i>Aegypius monachus</i>). Building a photographic archive
#27	Nikos Kassinis	Overview and analysis of mortality causes for the Griffon Vulture (<i>Gyps fulvus</i>) in Cyprus
#28	Filipa Loureiro	Blood chemistry reference intervals for Griffon Vultures (<i>Gyps fulvus</i>)
#29	Filipa Loureiro	Reference intervals for serum proteins electrophoresis in Eurasian Griffon Vultures (<i>Gyps fulvus</i>)
#30	Félix Martínez	Movements of adult Eurasian Griffon Vulture (<i>Gyps fulvus</i>) during the reproductive season

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#31	Kyriaki Michael	Use of illegal poison baits in Cyprus: motives, beliefs and level of awareness of local residents within the home range of the Griffon Vulture
#32	Davide Montanari	Ranging behavior and resource selection of breeding Cinereous Vultures in a recently restored colony
#33	Antonio Monteiro	Rewilding and trophic availability scenarios for breeding vulture populations in Portuguese mountainous areas
#34	Inmaculada Navarro Ramírez	Delving into the study of the survival of a donor population in the king of bones
#35	Raluca Nicolae	Restoring the sky: An initiative for vulture reintroduction in Romania
#36	Giancarlo Opramolla	Nocturnal feeding in a diurnal, large soaring scavenger: behavioural flexibility bears some risks
#37	Julián Padró	Aerial Landscape Genetics: Environmental drivers of dispersal patterns in the Andean Condor
#38	Natalia Pastor Tiburón	Exposure to POPs in Griffon and Cinereous Vultures in Spain
#39	Iván Peragón	The influence of landfills on the ranging behavior of juvenile Cinereous Vultures from the reintroduced colonies in the Pyrenees and the Iberian System
#40	Margarida Plácido	Cinereous Vulture's (<i>Aegypius monachus</i>) welfare in a breeding centre: activity budget, behaviour analysis and use of space
#41	Rainer Raab	Investigating the main mortality reasons of the European Red Kite population by high-resolution GPS telemetry tracking
#42	Pedro Ribeiro	Using GPS data to study vulture feeding ecology in the Greater Côa Valley
#43	Vanessa Rodrigues	Environmental impact studies as contributors for scientific species knowledge: vultures, a case study
#44	Jorge Rodríguez-Pérez	GPS-tracked vultures as a tool for improving carcass management and biodiversity conservation in Portugal
#45	Camillo Sandri	The efforts of Parco Natura Viva for conservation of vultures: the <i>Sarcogyps calvus</i> project
#46	Roberto Sargo	Metronidazole induced neurotoxicity in a Eurasian Griffon Vulture - a case report

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#47	Roberto Sargo	Management of a thoracic vertebral fracture in a Eurasian Griffon Vulture
#48	Lovelater Sebele	Implementing Vulture Safe Zones: Lessons from Southern Africa
#49	Mohammed Shobrak	Body Temperature of Lappet-faced Vulture' nestlings (<i>Torgos tracheliotus</i>) in the natural Environment
#50	Francisco Soler Rodriguez	Poisoning in three vulture species in Extremadura (Spain) 2002-2022
#51	Caterina Spiezio	Behavioral observation as tool to improve the knowledge of lesser known vulture species
#52	Katherine Steinfeld	Dead serious: 40 years of vulture monitoring in Serengeti National Park
#53	Evelyn Tewes	Status of vulture populations on the Island of Mallorca (Spain) and measures for their conservation
#54	Carlos Torralvo	First African White-backed Vulture (<i>Gyps africanus</i>) tagged with GPS transmitter in Europe: preliminary results
#55	Mehmet Ugur Altuncu	Eskisehir Zoo Egyptian Vulture monitoring project
#56	Dimitrios Vavylis	Dogs in the service of the biodiversity of Greece: the new Antipoison Canine Units of the Natural Environment and Climate Change Agency (N.E.C.C.A.)
#57	Carlota Viada Sauleda	Mallorca has the biomass to hold three times the current population of vultures
#58	Ángel Sánchez	Monitoring of necrophagous bird population in Extremadura and its management
#59	Ángel Sánchez	Carrion birds and energy transition in Extremadura (SW Spain): state of the situation
#60	García-Fernández, A.J	Evaluation of recent exposure to anticoagulant rodenticides in Griffon Vultures (<i>Gyps fulvus</i>) sampled in two supplementary feeding stations in southeastern of Spain
#61	Joan Real	New population integrated models reveal the factors involved in the exceptional increasing of an Egyptian vulture population

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FIELD TRIPS

Extremadura is considered one of the most important regions in Europe for birds and thus it is among the most prized destinations for birdwatching enthusiasts and nature lovers from all over the world, drawn by the possibility of observing birds in natural habitats of great beauty and also of enjoying the interesting cultural and historical heritage of Extremadura.

In partnership with Birding in Extremadura club we have prepared three outstanding field trips for bird (and, of course, vulture) watching.



For the three field trips, the departure and arrival point will be the **Conference venue** (Complejo Cultural San Francisco).



Departures 8:30 AM. Arrivals 6:00 - 6:30 PM.

Field trip 1

PLAINS OF CÁCERES, MAGASCA & TRUJILLO



Roundtrip distance ~60-80 km

This route goes through one of the most interesting areas in the region for birdwatching, not by chance crossing four areas that have been designated as Special Protection Areas for birds.

The complete route will allow you to see a great diversity of species in the most representative habitats of the region, with a clear predominance of natural pastureland and rain-fed cereal crops, interspersed with areas of Holm oak grove dehesa and scrubland (mostly broom and Spanish lavender).

There is a complete representation of steppe bird species in the areas of pastureland, and you shouldn't be surprised to see Cinereous Vulture, Griffon Vulture, Golden Eagle, Spanish Imperial Eagle, as the large numbers livestock feeding on these pastures offer a source of carrion for these scavengers and also as a hunting territory. Some other interesting species are: Great Bustard, Little Bustard, Pin-tailed and Black-bellied Sangrouse, Stone Curlew, Iberian Grey Shrike, Calandra and Thekla Larks, Woodlarks, Skylark, Little Owl, Hoopoe, Spotless Starling, etc..

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Field trip 2
MONFRAGÜE NATIONAL PARK



Roundtrip distance ~160-180 km

Monfragüe is at present the only National Park in Extremadura, with 13,118 ha under this protection, it is possibly the best place to see birds, particularly birds of prey, in Extremadura. Perhaps the most characteristic species is the Cinereous Vulture. Also, Spanish Imperial Eagle, Egyptian Vulture, Black Stork, etc.

The most visible bird of prey is, undoubtedly, the Griffon Vulture.

There here are small numbers of Golden Eagle, Bonelli's Eagle and Peregrine Falcon. Other birds of prey are Eagle Owl, Red Kite, Common Buzzard. Northern Goshawk, Eurasian Sparrowhawk and Black-winged Kite are much scarcer.

Other birds of interest are those of rocky habitats, such as Blue Rock Thrush, Thekla Lark, Corn Bunting, Red legged Partridge, Iberian Grey Shrike, Iberian Magpies, Rock Sparrow, Spanish Sparrow, Crag Martin, Common Crane, Hoopoe, Bullfinch, Hawfinch, Lesser Spotted Woodpecker, Black Redstart, etc.

Field trip 3
SIERRA DE SAN PEDRO



Roundtrip distance ~100-120 km

This interesting route in the Sierra de San Pedro goes through the most representative habitats of this protected natural area and, with a bit of luck, you will be able to see the most representative birds, as in the area of this route several pairs of Spanish Imperial Eagle, Cinereous Vulture, Griffon Vulture, Bonelli's and Golden Eagle, Red Kite, Black-winged Kite, Eagle Owl, Little Owl, etc.

Other residents include Goshawk, Sparrowhawk, Peregrine Falcon and the one everyone many people like to see, the Black-winged Kite.

Other common species in the area are European Nuthatch, Blue Rock Thrush, Thekla Lark, Corn Bunting, Red legged Partridge, Iberian Grey Shrike, Iberian Magpie, Rock Sparrow, Spanish Sparrow, Crag Martin, Hoopoe, Bullfinch, Hawfinch, Lesser Spotted Woodpecker, Black Redstart, Dartford Warbler, etc