# Kaş & Datça

## Wildlife at Leisure

A Greentours Trip Report

14<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> April 2022

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Please Note – we do not have the Dalyan sector of the tour report available as the report has not come in for the 2023 trip and previous tours we've run there have been in June for Dragonflies, March for spring bulbs or autumn for birds, and never a Wildlife at Leisure Trip in April!

### Day 1 April 14<sup>th</sup> Arrival

Several of us met up at Antalya Airport, the earlier ones in time for some dinner and a welcome beer, before heading off into the night and the mountains inland of Antalya. It soon became apparent that there was a lot of snow on said mountains even in the moonlight and it was pretty chilly when we arrive at the hotel an hour and a half later. Just at the same as those arriving from Dalaman too! Our rooms were lovely and warm.

### Day 2 April 15<sup>th</sup> Ak Dağı and Avlan Lake

It was a fine sunny morning and though overnight temperatures were low (close to zero) it was very pleasant by the time we left the hotel at nine-thirty. We headed west along the valley floor with the huge ridges of Dokuzgöl Dağları to our south, and the mountains culminating in Ak Dağı to our right, both ridges covered in a blanket of snow. The valley itself is at a thousand metres and with the long cold winter and late spring even the apples were not in bloom yet, though almonds, plums and peaches were. This is a fruit growing region par excellence. Workers were in the orchards pruning away.

We were soon winding up the narrow roads above Gombe and heading onto the slopes of Ak Dağı. This is the biggest mountain in the region with an extensive area on top between 2900 and 3000m above sea level. We would get nowhere near that today, snow blocking the track at around 1850m. So instead we walked to Yeşilgöl, a beautifully situated little lake nestling at the foot of an imposing rampart of rocks and snow. It wasn't long before we started finding crocuses. The lovely white with a yellow centre *Crocus akdgahensis*, like so many of the mountain's plant, occurring only in this area.

A little of the rather small yellow *Crocus danfordiae* was seen too. Other snowmelt flora included *Colchicum triphyllum, Corydalis wendelboi* and abundant *Anemone blanda*, the latter coming in various shades from white through to deep blue. The yellow stars of *Gagea villosa* were scattered here and there too. Several Small Tortoiseshells were on the wing and a single rather tatty Large Tortoiseshell too. Bee Flies were noted. Long-legged Buzzards soared against the great cliffs to our east where we also saw Common Raven and Red-billed Chough. Linnets were common. A Rock Bunting came and gave us close-up views in a trackside juniper. There were both Finsch's and Northern Wheatears present and a number of Shorelarks. Two Rock Thrushes posed for a long time on some bulky scree, the male looking a picture.

We descended a little for lunch enjoying our picnic by a stream under a juniper. Fresh Turkish tea was provided by Mehmet. *Cyclamen alpinum* flowered around us with *Ornithogalum oligophyllum* and a little *Thlaspi*. We searched the scree slopes across the road for both *Fritillaria whitallii* and *Muscari racemosum*, and though we found plenty they were only in bud. *Muscari neglectum* and *Viola heldreichii* were both noted. Serins sang from the tree tops and we watched Black-eared Wheatears and heard Middle Spotted Woodpecker and Rock Nuthatch.

Then it was time to head back across the valley to Avlan Lake. Here we explored the western side f the lake where the slopes are cloaked in a mixed Juniper and Kermes Oak scrub. Two fine Woodchat Shrikes provided the cameras some fodder and there were also Ortolan Buntings here. The unusual *Hypecoum imberbe* was found flowering under a bush. Two Anatolian Sheepdogs had clearly been given the afternoon off and decided to join us. They were very friendly. Marsh Harriers flew over the lake but waterbirds were mostly distant we were only able to see Coot, Great Crested Grebes, Little Grebes and a few Black-necked Grebes. Nearer at hand were several Cretzschmarr's Buntings. *Lamium cariense* and lots of *Veronica lycica* flowered along the trackside.

Departing we stopped for several nice Calandra Larks by the roadside before heading to the hotel.

### Day 3 April 16<sup>th</sup> Avlan Golu, Karaova Beli and Gomuce

This morning we left Elmalı and headed south for twenty minutes towards the white wall of Çığılkaya Milli Parki a large protected area. We spent the morning walking down a canal which runs between the two wide open wetland areas of what is called Avlan Lake, which nestles at the foot of the protected area. Water levels were as high as I've ever seen them at Avlan. Birdlife was very good this morning. Wood Warbler was almost the first bird we saw and we went on to see a number of birds in the big willows including Tree, House and Spanish Sparrows. There were also Woodchat Shrikes and a nice male Penduline Tit. Cetti's, Sedge and Reed Warblers were in the little patches of reeds along the canal. A nice surprise was a perched female Merlin. A distant White-tailed Eagle was well received and other raptors included Marsh Harriers, Long-legged Buzzard (an almost white individual) and two Short-toed Eagles. There were several Little Egrets and a Squacco Heron, Pochard and Common Teal, Great Crested Grebes, and a selection of waders including Black-winged Stilt, Little Stint, Dunlin, Ruff, Green Sandpiper, Wood Sandpiper (many) and a nice Marsh Sandpiper.

We stopped for lunch right on the pass – the Karaova Beli – 1530m above sea level. As Mehmet kindly put this together and brewed the tea we explored round about. There were Mistle Thrushes, Short-toed Treecreepers and a couple of Common Buzzards. Green Woodpeckers called. Coat Tits and Chaffinches were common in the cedars here. There were lovely views all around of the Cedar of Lebanon forest and a little ova (doline) below us where the locals were busy preparing the soil for planting wheat once the spring was more advanced. There was a little snow left right by the road and some snowmelt plants about too. There was some Cyclamen alpinum, quite a few nice Scilla bifolia and *Gagea peduncularis* all making nice little gardens in the rocks. *Corydalis wendelboi* too. We looked for *Eranthis* but couldn't find any, instead finding the local *Fritillaria kitanae* right by the road. This little frit normally has stripey green, yellow and grey flowers and indeed one or two here did, but there were also once that were pure yellow showing its affinity to *Fritillaria carica*.

We descended on the southern flank of the mountains dropping through Cedar forest into Pine Forest. We stopped briefly to admire the uncommon *Erica bocquetii* on some roadside limestone and then we were into an area of oak. This was a rather beautiful. The trees – they were *Quercus macrolepis* – were only just starting to come into leaf. Under them we found red *Anemone coronaria* and some very fine *Fritillaria acmopetala*. Middle Spotted Woodpecker was seen along with a Hoopoe in one tree and there were several pretty male Common Redstarts. Both Krüper's Nuthatch and European Nuthatch were seen too.

Now we descended into the lowland via a good but winding road that in half an hour had us down into the Kasaba basin hardly above sea level. Here winter had completely relinquished its grip and the crops were growing strongly and flowers blooming prolifically along the roadsides.

We stopped to see if we could catch the last blooms of *Iris unguicularis*. And indeed there were just a few, the wood a week earlier being carpeted in them. Krüper's Nuthatches call in the trees. We weren't counting but I discovered later after catching up on the checklists that we'd seen just under a hundred species of bird today! Back to the blooms though. Just behind the irises we started to find orchids, then more orchids. This area is the best part of Turkey to find a variety of orchid species and we had in time notched up ten varieties. Perhaps the prize among them was the lovely Rainbow Bee Orchid, *Ophrys iricolor*, whose impressively large blooms are a deep wine colour underneath. Little *Ophrys cinereophila* was common. The 'late spider orchid' that's common here is *Ophrys lyciensis* and here there were several fine plants. *Orchis syriaca* was common and we also spotted a few pants of Dense-flowered Orchid, just about over. Also noted were *Serapias bergonii*, *Ophrys sicula*, *Orchis anatolica* and some Violet Limodores in bud. Down by the road was a nice display of red *Anemone coronaria*.

### Day 4 April 17<sup>th</sup> Çukurbağ and the Kasaba Valley

It was sunny and warm down in Kaş but the forecast was for strong winds on the coast today so we headed inland – often here one only has to go a few kilometres inland and the winds disappear. Our first stop was at the base of the peninsula where a hillside on the edge of town was covered in a thick display of flowering *Helichrysum stoechas*, *Cistus creticus* and an amazing assortment of *Fabaceae*. Here were a couple of magnificent specimens of *Ophrys ferrum-equinum* and a few *Ophrys lyciensis* too.

There was a mass of *Allium subhirsutum*, lots of *Orobanche pubescens*, lots of *Gladiolus illyricus* and *Bunium ferulaceum* too.

We drove up the long hill out of Kaş stopping first by a roadside cliff. An unusual woody-based *Verbascum* was in beautiful flower and there was still a deal of *Ricotia sinuata* with white or pink flowers. There were just a few plants of the deeper pink *Ricotia carnisula* too.

Behind the ridge immediately inland of Kaş lies the picturesque and popular village of Çukurbağ. Here traversed some narrow leafy back lanes before parking up and heading into a most unusual habitat for this part of the world, essentially a complex of wooded meadows. These are only lightly grazed, mostly by horses in the middle of summer. The trees are more or less all *Quercus infectoria* and were a brilliant spring green. Some of them are of quite an age – we can't tell really, but some must be well in excess of three hundred years old. By the oldest and biggest specimen John spotted one of the prize finds of the morning – an unusual birthwort. We'd already looked at a large population of the smelly and large-flowered *Aristolochia adalica*, a species endemic to the southwestern corner of the Taurus Mountains. But this one was even more localised. *Aristolochia baseri* is as far as I know only know from the type gathering in the mountains 40km away from Çukurbağ and this represents a new location – only the second known for this plant.

Meanwhile Bonelli's Warblers sang incessantly from the oaks though they proved difficult to get much of a look at. Lesser Spotted and Middle Spotted Woodpeckers called quite often, but only the latter showed itself. We admired a boar wallow in which grew an abundance of a curious little buttercup, *Ranunculus lateriflorus*. This is a buttercup of ephemeral (vernal) pools. Another strange little plant liked these habitats too – the little Mousetail *Myosurus minimus*. This unusual member of the Primula family is hardly known outside of Europe.

Lateriflorus wasn't the only buttercup to be seen here. There were many species – marginatus, chius, constantinopolitanus, arvensis and the regionally rare but here abundant cornutus. There were lots of Bellevalia trifoliata blooming with elegant Ornithogalum nutans. Ornithogalum umbellatum was also common. The clover Trifolium echinatum covered whole areas and there were many other clovers present including Trifolium clusii and Trifolium clypeatum.

Checking under rocks produced several Budak's Snake-eyed Skinks.

We took lunch back at the minibus where Mehmet had been hard at work preparing the lunch and most importantly the tea! *Ophrys sicula* was found in the bushes by the vehicle.

For the afternoon we headed east into the Kasaba Valley to explore a number of orchid-rich sites. Our hopes were high after our brief stop the day before had produced around ten species of orchid. However it was in general quite a disappointing afternoon with a series of stops producing only a few species. We did though enjoy the beautiful countryside and wonderful scenery. One stop that normally yields fine *Ophrys speculum* and an assortment of other orchids just had *Orchis syriaca*, a very few *Orchis italica* and only one plant of *Ophrys phaseliana*. The area's top orchid site with around twenty species of orchid recorded from it had very few indeed. Just a few *Serapias bergonii* growing in the ditch outside alongside the water dropwort *Oenanthe fistulosa*. An Orphean Warbler sang loudly here.

#### Day 5 April 18<sup>th</sup> Patara

The morning was sunny though hazy and foggy along the mountain rim. It was already windy on the peninsula but we hoped for less at Patara. The forecast was not promising!

We drove along the windy coastal road with blue seas to our left dotted with islands here and there, and with steeps maquis-covered limestone slopes and cliffs rising inland. We stopped at the most imposing bit of scenery at Kaputaş. Here an increasingly famous scenic beach sits 170 steps down below the road backed by cliffs, the water a stunning turquoise whilst the other side of the road is back by cliffs and the narrow opening of a gorge. We looked at the cliff flora briefly here. *Asphodelus luteus* still had blooms whilst *Ptilostemon chamaepeuce* had its first. *Campanula aktascii* was quite stunning, and the hanging dark red flowered *Galium canum* was a most distinctive bedstraw. There were two *Cheilanthes* ferns – *Cheilanthes* catanensis and *Cheilanthes fragrans*. *Hyoscyamus aureus* had a few golden blooms left and high on the left-hand cliff we could see the rare *Brassica cretica*, a cabbage that is really a small shrub. Rock Doves and Rock Nuthatches were seen and we heard Blue Rock Thrushes, seeing one just a little further up the road.

We soon arrived at Patara. Not the ancient site, but the national park behind the dunes. Soon European Bee-eaters were in some numbers around the car so we stopped when one was sat in a tree next to us. But it wasn't! A Blue-cheeked Bee-eater. A rare breeding species in the eastern third of the country and only slightly more widely distributed as a migrant this is a very unusual record, the only one further west in Turkey was in Izmir in 1876! Having said this it was not a total surprise as this bird and several of its mates had been since the previous week. Perhaps even more amazing was the way it sat in the tree and allowed us to photograph at will. I've never gt better bee-eater photos! We drove on passing a flock of Short-toed Larks and several Woodchats as the dune landscape opened in front of us.

We spent the rest of the morning doing a walk through sandy and marshy areas behind the coastal ridges of dunes. This was full of birds. There were Tawny Pipits, Whinchats and Northern Wheatears in the open areas. Fan-tailed Warblers called continuously around us. Yellow Wagtails of an assortment of races were common. There were even perhaps twenty Red-throated Pipits! Marsh Harriers quartered the reed areas, these were flooded literally covered in a white blanket of *Ranunculus sphaerospermus*. A superb sight. A flock of a dozen Purple Herons flew over and there was a large group of mixed Little Egrets and Squacco Herons. A single Glossy Ibis too. There were many waders – Spotted Redshank, Redshank, Wood and Green Sandpipers, a few Ruff, and a Common Snipe. We walked back through the low dunes looking at the flora. *Juncus acutus* formed large spikey clumps, other areas had *Schoenus nigricans*, *Cyperus capitatus* and even diminutive *Juncus bufonius* and *Isolepis setacea*. On the dunes were lots of *Thymelaea hirsuta*, *Erica manipuliflora* and *Cionura erecta*. Little things included the tiny water crowfoot *Ranunculus rionii* as well as *Centaurium spicatum Medicago marina* and *Romulea ramiflora*. Several large Spur-thighed Tortoises munched their way across the dunes.

We went down to the rivermouth for lunch. Though the picnic itself was sheltered the shore was anything but and we had a hard job to enjoy the place! *Eryngium maritimum* and *Pancratium* were

noted but of course not in flower. *Cakile maritima* was. Out to sea we couldn't see any birds at all though a Whiskered Tern crouched low on the shore to try and avoid the wind.

After lunch we headed to the western end of the beach - a forty minute journey inland to the bridge and back to the coast again. Here the wind was if anything stronger. We found groups of Blackwinged Stilts and Glossy Ibis in the wetland and many Wood Sandpipers. There were also several Little Stints, a couple of Curlew Sandpipers, a Common Sandpiper, a Greenshank, a few Ruff and several Spur-winged Plovers. Lots of Bee-eaters flew overhead. There were some Odonata braving the conditions, a migrant Emperor, a Darter (*meridionalis*) and lots of a *Lestes*. Then it was back along the spectacular coastline to Kaş and an evening meal out in the town.

### Day 6 April 19<sup>th</sup> Assos Mountain and Ahatlı Village

This morning the weather looked better so we headed up the mountain immediately inland of Kaş, rapidly gaining altitude. We stopped to look at the view down over the coast and the islands, the peninsula on which our hotel was situated far below - we were already at 4000 feet 1250m above sealevel here and it looked like we could jump down into the Mediterranean. Already around us were the first Cedars, surely the closest cedars to the sea in the region. At our feet we could see Anthemis carnea. Krüper's Nuthatches gave good views and Goshawk flew past. We moved along to a track that we would walk through the cedar forest. The landscape here was one of jumbled giant limestone boulders and smooth deep-earth covered slopes. Old cedars were here and there, 'middle-aged' ones abundant. Corydalis paschei was flowering with both Lamium garganicum and Lamium striatum. The large snowdrop population, here Galanthus elwesii, was already over, We did find a number of Fritillaria elwesii in bud, some very close to opening. In the trees were lots of paeonies! Only the first few were in flower. That is until we reached the old-growth forest on the west facing slope of the mountain and here we were treated a wonderful spectacle of hundreds of the deep red goblets with their nest of bright yellow stamens in the centre. These surrounding by gnarled old cedars. Here there was a tremendous amount of dead wood on the ground – it was a nice to see a forest as it should be! On a rocky knoll in this area we found more red goblets, this time at ground level. These the pretty Tulipa armena subspecies lycia. A Masked Shrike appeared briefly among them. There were many Short-toed Tree-creepers and one Lesser Spotted Woodpecker was seen. Coal Tits and Bonelli's Warblers were numerous as were Wrens, the latter singing away mightily. Gagea peduncularis was in flower. We admired a Wild Boar wallow where the animals had themselves hollowed out part of the track to collect water – several of the trees around there were worn smooth from boar rubbing. There were some very fine old oaks – Quercus infectoria – in the woodland, and other trees noted were Acer monspessulanum, Phillyrea latifolia and several of a mysterious ash. This Fraxinus is included under Fraxinus excelsior in the Turkish Flora but its tiny leaves, and weird plate-like bark on the mature trees don't look much like old Fraxinus excelsior.

We drove now to Ahatlı where I live. Seda and Zoe were awaiting us with a lovely lunch at the house. The view was wonderful looking across the little valley below with the fresh green of *Quercus infectoria*, red of newly emerging leaves of *Pistacia terebinthus* and the bright pink of *Cercis siliquastrum* to the huge snowy peak of Ak Dağı in the distance. After an extensive lunch we took a short walk across to a fine old specimen of *Quercus aucheri*, a southwestern Turkish endemic oak.

This tree was broader than tall! Then it was to a patch of mixed birthworts. These the very large-flowered *Aristolochia adalica*, found only in this corner of Turkey, and the steppe species *Aristolochia auricularia*. We found one or two black and red caterpillars of the False Apollo on these. Back by the house there was much Ornithogalum nutans in blooms and both *Bellevalia dubia* and *Bellevalia taurica*. We took a short walk the other side of the house to see the very rare *Ophrys lycia*, a species confined to an area within 5 kilometres of here. A most distinctive and pretty species. Middle Spotted Woodpeckers called and Woodchat Shrikes were much in evidence.

For the last part of the afternoon we drove to an orchid-rich site in the Kasaba Valley, but sadly today there was little to be found here – just a few plants of *Ophrys cinerophila* and *Ophrys phaseliana*. One fine clump of Violet Limodores was much appreciated. Then it was back to Kaş for some relaxation before the evening meal which tonight was in a rather excellent restaurant on the peninsula.

### Day 7 April 20<sup>th</sup> Boat Trip from Kekova and Andriake

Seeing *Ophrys regis-ferdinandii* in bloom on the 20<sup>th</sup> April would in any normal year be impossible for this species normally blooms in early February here. However this year it had been so cold for February and March that here we were only 12 days from May and still the last one flowered. A very strange orchid indeed.

Now we travelled east to Kekova for our boat trip. Though the weather had generally been good and sunny we'd had plenty of wind, especially along the coast so this morning looked to be our only chance of a non-windy trip. We would normally have done an almost full day boat trip from Andriake to Kaş but with winds forecast to rise again in the afternoon we elected for a shorter trip in and out of Kekova. We settled on the spacious boat and headed out, the first bird we saw an Audouin's Gull perched on a floating jetty. It was indeed a lovely calm sunny morning and soon we saw another nice bird – a Shag. The Mediterranean race of this species is a scarce bird. The boatman showed us the castle and old town of Kekova and we could numerous sarcophagi on the craggy limestone slopes. Then it was across the bay to the near shore of Kekova Island. Here we drifted slowly along the shore, initially studying the many above surface remains of buildings long ruined. The city here at one stage held tens of thousands of people, but successive major earthquakes reduced it to a shadow of its former glory. Soon we started to see buildings below the water too. And the remains of a nice neat harbour. Through the glass window on the bottom of the boat we could make out numerous amphora on the sea floor. The land had sunk considerably during the earthquakes!

We pulled into a bay and went for a swim/snorkelled in the bay as the boat captain made lunch. The water was still pretty cool – though considerably warmer than in the UK at this season. There were some Puffer Fish swimming around the boat. Along the shore edge I saw Black Demoiselles and Ornate Wrasse amongst other species.

Alpine Swifts scooted overhead and a Short-toed Eagle was seen. Yellow-vented Bulbul too.

Then it was back to the shore. We headed towards Demre, stopping to look at the entrance to an impressive gorge. Rock Nuthatches sang from the cliffs and a Blue Rock Thrush perched near us.

Southern Swallowtail and Green-underside were seen. The unusual *Polygala supina* bloomed purple on the cliffs and we found *Campanula lyrata* in bloom too.

Down at Andriake we went turtle watching from a jetty. There were several turtles in the water. Probably four Green Turtles at least a couple of which gave us a decent view, and certainly one Loggerhead Turtle whose distinctive almost human-sized head appeared above the water from time to time. We looked at the dues where *Silene colorata* and a selection of seashore species such as *Medicago marina, Cakile maritima, Echium angustifolium* and the uncommon *Anchusa aggregata* bloomed. Short-toed Larks and Crested Larks were in the sand dunes. We found the shrubby *Helianthemum stipulatum* flowering behind the dunes.

### Day 8 April 21st Gokçeören and Departure or to Pamukkale

We said goodbye to three of the group who were flying back today from Dalaman and set off at 09.30. Our morning was spent just half an hour up the road at what I think is one of the most beautifully situated but almost completely unknown ancient sites in Turkey. To get there though we had to walk down from the village of Gokçeören. We parked by an extremely rustic little farmstead and followed the track through fields, woods and scrub. This mix f habitats was rather full of birds this morning. There were Cirl Buntings, Sombre Tits, Long-tailed Tits, Krüper's Nuthatches, Bonellia's Warblers, Blackcaps, and several *Ficedula* flycatchers, those we identified were Pied Flycatchers. A surprise was a Green Sandpiper in the stream. There were clumps of *Iris unguicularis*, many with good flowers still blooming, and a few red Anemone coronaria. Speckled Wood flew past and there were a good number of Green Hairstreaks.

Down the valley we saw an impressive path/wall that had built up the opposite cliffs and noted a number of large square-cut holes in the rock that had been hand-hewn two millenia before. They had chosen a memorable location – a bowl in between high cliffs with a view out over the sea to a couple of islands beyond – beautiful! There were even terraces grafted out of the landscape for cultivation not used for a long time.

Down here we found plentiful Anatolian Orchids and a surprising number of Dense-flowered Orchids in perfect flower too. A Tortoise or two wandered past us as did Balkan Green Lizard. We saw wild Amygdalus communis growing on a cliff, and amongst all the goat dung under a cliff there was lots of Urtica pilulifera.

Then it was into the long journey up to Datça. We first descended to Kalkan where we said goodbye to the Mediterranean coast and then headed north up through the Eşen Valley. Ak Dağı was huge and white to our right, and later we could see it from its northern even whiter flank as we ascended into the plateaus we would traverse for the next couple of hours. All the time snow-capped mountains were on all sides as we drove across flat cultivated plains or through juniper-dotted limestone slopes. Mehmet our driver convinced us to drop the picnic idea and stop in a roadside café which we enjoyed, the food being very much your real truck stop grub. Some refreshing tea later and we were on our way eventually descending past the shoulder of mighty Honaz Dağı into the million strong city of Denizli. From here it was but a short journey across the lowland to the travertine terraces of Pamukkale, visible all the way from Denizli. We finally managed a 'wildlife' stop here in

some steppe on the edge of Pamukkale itself. We explored the grassy slope for half an hour. There was *Muscari caucasicum* and two *Ornithiogalums – umbellatum* and *comosum*. Some red Anemone coronaria was joined by both *Adonis flammea* and diminutive *annua*. There was an abundant yellow fenugreek *Trigonella astroites* and the altogether more refined blue *Trigonella coerulescens*. *Ranunculus isthmicus* had the characteristic long curved achenes. Crested Larks and Magpies were the birds. There were a number of butterflies including Mallow Skipper and Common Blue. Then it was to the hotel for check-in and the evening meal.

#### Day 9 April 22<sup>nd</sup> Pamukkale & Babadağ

Nigel took a wonder down the road in the morning finding several Spotted Flycatchers.

After breakfast Elvan met the group and took them to explore Pamukkale for the morning.

After lunch at the site we headed out for an afternoon enjoying the varied flora and fauna of the wide Menderes? Valley and the mountain slopes beyond. We passed White Storks on their nest before turning up into the quiet roads heading up to Babadağ. This is a most singular small town. Aside from its rather lovely position betwixt highly eroded steppic valleys and forested slopes its main attraction is colour. Every house seemed a different colour – it was rather reminiscent of one of the Mexican Pueblas Magicos. We drove up through the narrow streets soon reaching the forest above. These forests are most unusual. They represent a southwestern outlier of the northern woodlands of the Black Sea region. Most obvious to start with was the abundance of oaks (only just coming into leaf) with Quercus frainetto, Quercus cerris and Quercus pubescens all visible in the few hundred metres after the town. Further on we also saw Quercus infectoria. We stopped by a little narrow valley dominated by a curious mix of walnut, plane trees and most abundant, Sweet Chestnut! Nowhere else in the region can one find woodlands of this species. There were also Common Hornbeam too. Bonelli's Warblers and Kruper's Nuthatches could be heard around us and there were also Wrens and a Robin. A couple of Green-underside Blues caused much interest, and other butterflies included Large Tortoiseshell, Comma, Small Copper, Eastern Festoon and False Apollo. The large yellow heads of Doronicum orientale dotted the steep slopes. On rocks we spotted Cystopteris fragilis, Asplenium trichomanes and both Polystichum aculeatum and Polystichum setiferum. The little strawberry Potentilla micrantha had pale pink flowers. There were clumps of Primrose, lovely little pale blue Viola sieheana, and the little bells of Fritillaria milasense.

We moved downhill to some open steppe areas between orchards and heavily eroded chalky slopes. First up was the lovely orange-red and yellow *Cystopsis dorycniifolia* form beautiful mounds by the roadside. Also here was *Coronilla emerus* and *Gonocytisus angulosus*. There were some nice patches of Daphne sericea in pink bloom. Lesser Whitethroats sang from the flowering pears and cherries. We found some very flowery steppe. The mounds of *Alyssum sibircum* were impressive along with the abundant blue blooms of *Legousia pentagyna*. There were clumps of *Trigonella cretica* and fine purple flowered *Anchusa undulata*. Other plants of note here were *Hypecoum pseudograndiflorum*, *Hesperis*, *Leopoldia caucasicum*, and *Silene subconica*. Crucifers included a *Fibigia*, *Bunias eriocarpa*. Scarce Swallowtails hill-topped and a Nettle-Tree Butterfly flew around a ... Nettle Tree.

Then it was back to the hotel for some relaxation before we met up again for dinner.

#### Day 10 April 23<sup>rd</sup> Honaz Dağı and to Datça

A strange dawn this morning, bright and sunny first thing but by breakfast time the haze and some cloud had descended though it was certainly warm. Nigel had been out and about and had managed shots of a female Pallid Harrier flying over!

We departed for the heights of Honaz Dağı at 09.30. This time we drove straight up above the town and into the forest. Our first stop was a brief one to take a look at *Saxifraga graeca*, apparently a new find in mainland Turkey?

Then it was up to the pass and along the ridgetop road, made easy because of the wind turbines installed there a couple of years back. These were huge! We parked up amongst them and trying to ignore the sound of the wind through them we explored a track. Mind you it was difficult to ignore the wind coursing across the ridge we parked on! Still it was a little more sheltered once we started walking the track. Imme3ditaley obvious all around us was sheets and sheets of palest pink *Moenchia mantica*. This little relative of the campions put on a memorable show. Scattered amongst it were blue *Scilla bifolia* and a lovely blue *Veronica*. Northern Wheatears, Tawny Pipits and Rock Thrushes were noted, and a Raven hung in the air above us. Further along were found a marvellous snowmelt pastiche with egg-yolk yellow *Crocus chrysanthus*, rich blue *Scilla bifolia* and palest lemon Primula vulgaris. There was also plentiful *Gagea bithynica* and *Corydalis wendeloi*. Slightly further away from the snow was *Fritillaria carica* just about to open its now green buds. Ortolan Bunting hopped about the vegetation. Two Short-toed Eagles sailed overhead.

Then it was time to descend. We stopped many hundreds of metres below by an old graveyard where there stones from the Selcuk period. We took our oicnic here. Amongst the gravces was a rich lora including *Ornithogalum armeniacum* (sandrasicum?), Bellevalia neglectum, Cnicus benedictus and Linaria simplex. There was an abundance of Fabaceae that included *Ornithopus compressus*, Lathyrus digitatus, Lathyrus blepharicarpos, Vicia cuspidata, Vicia lathyroides and an assortment of *Trigonellas*.

After lunch it was a case of get our heads down and drive to Datça. There was much of interest along the way, but not time to stop for it!

### Day 11 April 24<sup>th</sup> Hayıtbükü

After a leisurely and rather excellent breakfast we drove across the side of Boz Dağı before dropping down to the sea at the southern foot of the 1100m high mountain. The views up to its peak were quite stunning in the clear morning sun. There were a few oohs and aahs as we drive past some very flowery displays on the way down. Not to worry our morning was full of blooms!

We started in a little valley by the sea just outside Hayıtbükü. Here there were olive groves and maquis on the valley floor and stunning phrygana on the slopes around. Straight off the bus we found the one of the star turns of the day, the lovely 'Spoonwing' *Nemoptera sinuata*. These delicate beauties look half butterfly half dragonfly but are more graceful than either. We were to see very many in the day. Plants soon got under way with a whole hoard of species in flower. There was a

wonderful Glaucium flavum in full fresh flower looking altogether more attractive than the Western Mediterranean plants. Cistus monspelinesis and Cistus creticus of a particularly lurid pink bloomed profusely as did the Genista acanthoclada. There was a 'chunky' umbel named Hippomarathrum cristatum and lots of little white umbels including Caucaulis platycarpos, Bunium ferulaceum and *Tordylium apulum.* The strange little caparid *Cleome ornithopodoides* bloomed in the dry river gravels. We soon found our first orchids – these a tongue orchid, Serapias bergonii, and there were also lots of Orchis sancta about to bloom. Best orchid award went to the gorgeous large flowered Ophrys fuciflora subsp oblita (aka episcopalis). We saw Ornithogalum sphaerocarpum and Gladiolus italicus. There was as usual a tremendous variety of peas. Here was Trifolium clypeatum, Trifolium pauciflorum, Trifolium argutum, Trifolium boissieri and Trifolium angustifolium. Scorpiurus muricatus and Hymenolobus circinnatus. We also found Silene behen and Silene echinospermoides. Butterflies were relatively few with only a few Dappled Whites and Swallowtails, the latter including at least one Southern Swallowtail. We did however see a Green Hairstreak or two and a strange Green-underside Blue that was later confirmed as Anatolian Green-underside Blue Glaucopsyche astraea which must represent the westernmost record of species that is not normally seen west of Antalya/Isparta. Sardinian Warblers chattered in the undergrowth and we heard Bee-eaters overhead but the main bird highlight was a pair of lovely Masked Shrikes which we watched for some minutes.

We walked back towards the beach cafes stopping to admire the wonderful landscape here. A double-cove with flowered-covered hillsides inland and a lovely flat-calm sea offshore backed by cliffs at either end. Tourism had made only a relatively benign impact here. We walked down to the beach and most of us enjoyed a swim. The water was lovely though a little cool! Refreshed we took lunch in a beachside restaurant – lahmacun (a sort of Turkish pizza) or fresh fish were the order of the day along with a nice selection of starters. We took a little walk further along the road. Here we found deep-red Turban Buttercups and a fine display of a smaller gladiolus, this one *anatolicus*. Other nice finds included *Hypericum* cf. *atomarium*, *Gagea graeca*, and the little fern *Annogramma leptophylla*.

It was already three o'clock so we ended the afternoon up the mountain a bit where we first explore a little olive grove replete with a smothering of *Convolvulus althaeoides*. Mental note – these flowers open at 9 and close at 3. So a bit earlier would have been good! There were wonderful displays of Crown Daisy and the *Hippomarathrums* and *Ferulas* were a bit special. *Orobanche caryphyllocea* 'fed' on Pitch Trefoil and we also found another *Orobanche*. There was a Bear's Breech about to flower. There were Mallow Hairstreaks by the road and in the Crown Daisies Nigel discovered some Sloe Hairstreaks. A Lesser Grey Shrike flew by.

Our last stop was up into the pine forest. Here we found the striking bright red parasitic *Cytinus hypocistus* on the Cistus bushes. Also in this habitat was *Aristolochia hirta* and a number of Denseflowered Orchids, these already over. Along the roadside banks was a nice display of *Campanula lyrata*. Last new plants of the day were *Trifolium hirsutum* and *Trifolium speciosum*, the latter a lovely species with purple flowers.

Day 12 April 25<sup>th</sup> Karamanbası Tepe

Another beautiful sunny morning as we headed east along the peninsula to the remote northern side of the peninsula. Here we spent the morning exploring the tracks that stretch along the north flank of the mountains in the national park. We saw only two people all day! This part is hardly populated. In part because of the harsh growing conditions as evidenced by the rather stunted trees planted years ago by the forestry.

We started amongst surely one of the tour highlights. A marvellous population of *Serapias cordigera*. There were hundreds of them. Aside from being in tip-top condition they were also many magnificent many-flowered specimens. Most had the pale hoods and deep brown-red lips typical of the species. A few had pale lime-green hoods. And one stunning plant was almost entirely pale lime-green with just the lips side lobes being red-brown. To make things even better there were abundant *Gladiolus anatolicus* amongst them. It was a beautiful sight. Two other plants featured strongly – the little *Polygala monspeliaca*, and the tall *Jurinea consanguinea*, a very refined 'thistle'. Karen found an extraordinary creature. It had dressed itself in a little home of cut pine needles and was shuffling quietly along the forest floor. Nigel told us it was a 'bag moth' and later confirmed that it was *Thyridopteryx ephemeraeformis*, the Evergreen Bagworm – what an amazing camouflage! There were a number of dragonflies here a consequence of the forestry water-holding tank by which we were parked.

Now we headed down through the 'Caracal Forest'. This is an extensive area of forest where Caracals are known to live. Trap cameras revealed quite a decent population here. But to see one... well it would take a lot of effort we think! Instead there were donkeys. These are feral here. There was also a Hoopoe and lots of Jays as we moved along the tracks. There was a small population of Allium orientale trackside. Green-underside Blues and Green Hairstreaks were quite common. A shiny and colourful Rosemary Beetle sat on some... French Lavender. Soon we moved a couple of kilometres on by vehicle and started our walk down a gorge to the sea. Above the gorge we could hardly get going so many new plants appeared. There was a new Verbascum, a fine Ferulago and the extraordinary rounded coriaceous leaves of the rare serpentinite endemic Eryngium thorifolium. But surely the best was the sublime love-heart lilac *Iberis pruitii*. Butterflies teased here. Fritillaries coursed up and down the track Nigel eventually getting pictures to prove Knapweed Fritillary. Black-veined Whites were noted too. The striking *Hypericum atromarium* was a good find and there was also Petrohagia velutina. We started down the gorge in earnest, lunchtime fast approaching. Storax bushes lines the path and there were some fine shrublets of Jasmium fruticans smothered in yellow blooms. *Allium subhirsutum* flowered on the gorge walls with *Gagea graeca*. Southern Swallowtail and Telmessian Meadow Brown appeared. Nigel got photos of a Pygmy Skipper.

We took our picnic down by the seashore. It was a very pleasant spot and allowed for some swimming as the picnic and ay were prepared. Offshore were Shags and Yelkouan Shearwaters. On the beach we found *Limonium sinuatum* and Anthemis rigida, the latter smothered in red spider mites. We headed back up to the minibus stopping to enjoy some *Liquidamabar* lining the stream.

Now we headed for Gebekum. This beach had been protected for many years as an example of how the seashore formed in last few millenia. As a consequence large areas of low dune have a more or less intact dune flora. Acres of Venus's Looking-Glass was joined by the widespread *Paronychia argentea* and the diminutive dune specialist *Paronychia echinulata*. Crested Larks called all the time we

were there and there was a distant Woodchat Shrike. We found the odd *Hypecoum torulosum*. Nigel photographed a Sand Lizard.

### Day 13 April 26<sup>th</sup> Murdala

It was back to the west this morning. We were soon passing the shoulder of Boz Dağı, stopping as two raptors floated above the slopes. Two Short-toed Eagles. Then it was up through Cumali and onto the dirt road that would be our friend for the rest of the day. But not Mehmet's friend. He decided the road was too rough for the minibus. Anticipating this I had bought the car along and so its shuttle day again. However first there was half an hour where we left the minibus. Here there was a large covered water cistern. Inside the water was only a few steps down. It would be there well into the summer. Sadly two Kotschy's Geckos had perished in it and an Eastern Rock Mouse too. Nigel photographed a Cretzschmarr's Bunting on the tree by its side. The flora roundabout was rather flowery. The three Cistuses, salvifolia, cretica and parviflora provided a wonderful pastiche. Dotted amongst them were the yellows of Genista and the blues of Lithodora. Of note here was Astragalus sesamus. Tiny Evax (Filago) pymaea dotted the ground.

The first shuttle took us just a couple of minutes along the track. Here we encountered the rare *Achillea cretica*. A fine species. Opposite grew the even more lovely *Campanula hagielia* with a little *Campanula lyrata* for comparison further along. We spent the morning walking slowly along the track towards Murdala through increasingly lush and tall maquis. Lovely *Cyanus segetum* flowered here and there and we found *Smyrnium creticum* and several fine plants of *Ophrys fuciflora* subspecies *oblita* (aka *episcopalis*). Rüppell's Warblers sang from cover. Overhead we looked for raptors but to no avail. What looked an Eleonora's Falcon sped past but the only bird we positively identified in the skies was a Kestrel.

We shuttled down to the beach at Murdala. What a lovely little unspoilt spot. The only other person there was a spear-fisherman who said this beach hadn't changed in the forty years he'd been visiting it. We parked up under some impressively large Tamarisks and had a nice picnic. Most of the group took advantage of the warm sunny weather and lovely bay to have a swim. A yellow wagtail or two were in the salty flats behind the beach. Here were patches of halophytic vegetation with sedges such as *Carex colchica* and chenopods such as *Atriplex prostrata* and *Halimione portulacoides*. *Salicornia europaea* was picked fresh for the picnic! Just behind the salty areas were round fields with impressive blooms of Giant Fennel. These had a few insects visiting them including a large hornet and the stripy black and red shieldbug *Graphosoma semipunctatum*. Southern Swallowtails cruised around the place and we saw Eastern Festoon, finding the foodplant, *Aristolochia hirta*.

Then it was shuttles back up to the waiting minibus and back to the hotel.

### Day 14 April 27<sup>th</sup> Knidos & Bağlarözü Beach

Just after dawn I checked out the beach at Gebekum. Nightingale, Whinchat and a Green Turtle were there.

Another fine sunny morning... We headed straight to the very western tip of the peninsula this morning. The last ten kilometres saw us negotiating narrow village streets and increasingly flowery hillsides full of *Convolvulus*, *Euphorbias* and *Cistus*.

Knidos is an extensive area of mainly Greek remains from around two thousand years ago when this city was part of the Dorian hexapolis and the seat of the 60 strong senate. The structure of the site is what fires my imagination, it is so perfect. An island, now only occupied by a lighthouse, is joined to the island by a sand bar. This has built up over a causeway made in ancient times. On the landward side was much of the ancient city. Most appealing though is the double harbour – protected harbours face both southeast and northwest. The starks flowery hillsides and deep blue sea make for a really sublime landscape.

We spent the morning pottering about the site. There was much flora and fauna to see too. Agamas peeled off their rock-top watchpoints at regular intervals. Black-eared Wheatears were very common, so too Rüppell's Warblers. A Yellow Wagtail and a few White Wagtails were noted. Blue Rock Thrushes, Sardinian and Subalpine Warblers too. There were no less than five adult Audouin's Gulls in the south harbour. Ravens flew overhead. Right by the car park we were treated to a wonderful display of large mauve-blue flowered *Matthiola sinuata*. *Mesembryanthemum nodiflorum* showered the shores. One area was literally splashed purple by *Frankenia pulverulenta*, hugging the ground. *Limonium sinuatum*, as is its wont, flowered with equally dense patches of yellow *Glebionis segetum*. The little *Sedum littoreum* flowered yellow on rocks.

I took a walk out to the lighthouse. Worthwhile certainly, but a little hard going for half an hour. Still the scene at the end was wonderful. Deep blue water hugged the vari-coloured cliffs, these with an unusual vegetation of the *Matthiola*, lovely *Achillea cretica* and the unusual thistle *Cardopatium corymbosum*. Offshore I searched for dolphins and shearwaters but none were to be seen, only a single Audouin's Gull. There was much of interest in the flora though. Delicate and pretty Bupleurum gracile dotted open areas along with a selection of *Plantagos*. *Teucrium scorodoprasum* was looking amazing in a purple and black format! I walked back past a cliff with a few fine plants of both the *Matthiola* and even more impressive *Brassica cretica*. *Cymbalaria longipes* smothered parts of the cliff.

We spent the afternoon in Bağlarözü, a little cove where we had chance to swim. It was pretty warm now so the chance to cool off in the seas was much appreciated. There were urchins and peacock worms under the water. Above Olivaceous Warblers sang quietly from the bushes on the hillsides. A forty minute wander through the almond and olive groves in the valley floor and the abutting hillsides yielded an amazing variety of little legumes, many of them already in seed. *Scorpiurus muricatus* had coiled bristly little scorpion seeds. *Coronilla scorpioides's* scorpions were just coiling... Lots of *Trifolium squarrosum* lined the seaside areas a little further inland the superficially similar *Trifolium argutum* took over. In sometimes damp areas there was lots of *Trifolium echinatum*. *Medicagos* were ridiculously varied – here was *coronata*, *disciformis*, *minima*, *polymorpha*, and *orbiculata*. There was also *Trigonella gladiata* and *Hippocrepis ciliata*. The always common *Pallenis spinosa* was joined here by its look-a-like *Asteriscus aquaticus* – the latter non-spiny on the floral leaves. There were a number of umbels with *Tordylium apulum*, *Daucus broteri* and an *Echinophora*, the latter not yet in flower. The yellow flax was *Linum nodiflorum*. There were Painted Ladies, European Swallowtails and Nigel photographed some nice fresh Lesser Fiery Coppers.

Then it was back towards Datça stopping off at a big organic almond and olive farm. Here we perused the farm shop goods before taking various delights away with us. It was back to the hotel and some time to relax before the dinner which was tonight saç kavurma, little pieces of beef, onion, tomato and green pepper delicately cooked on a metal plate...

### Day 15 April 28<sup>th</sup> Köyceğiz's Liquidambar Forest

We said goodbye to half the group at 07.30. The rest of us took a late breakfast and said our goodbyes to the very friendly and efficiently people at the Eski Datça Hotel at 10.00. Then we were off eastwards along the narrow peninsula, fabulous views in all directions all the way. We made a stop by Karamanbasi Tepe to confirm the identity of those lovely *Serapias* from a few days previously and indeed they were still *Serapias cordigera*. They still looked wonderful. *Hypericum atromarium* was in fine bloom too. Then it was off along the serpentinite ridge. The roadsides had little lilac patches of *Iberis pruitii* and in places a blue haze of *Cyanus segetum*, the local cornflower.

We now drove without stopping to Köyceğiz, and along the lake shore to the liquidambar woods beyond. These are beautiful at any season but now were at the height if their spring freshness. The woods were full of birdsong, especially Nightingales. Many warblers also chuntered away – Blackcaps and Olivaceous Warblers among them. Lizards scurried through the undergrowth and a large pale tortoise was admired. Frogs were abundant. We soon found Yellow Flag amid a sea of buttercups – these *Ranunculus neapolitanus*. There was an abundance of water dropwort too – this *Oenanthe silaifolia* as well as a little Oenanthe fistulosa. Clambering through smilax and *Humulus lupulus* was the Silk Vine *Periploca graeca*, this with the first lovely flower in bloom. Speckled Woods were here and there. We found a large patch of Adder's-Tongue Fern enjoying the shade, the plants really quite large. There were sedges everywhere with some nice clumps of *Carex remota*. The mainly white and yellow scene amid the brilliant greenery was broken in just one or two spots by pink *Orchis palustris*. There was much *Ranunculus marginatus* and one ditch was lined by Adder's-Tongue Spearwort, *Ranunculus ophioglossifolius*. Chaffinches and Great Tits were common and a Short-toed Tree-creeper put in a brief appearance. Green Woodpeckers called and so did Lesser Spotted Woodpeckers but the only one we saw was a Syrian Woodpecker.

We took a light lunch of borek and simek of course with some fresh tea. Some council guys appeared, it turned out harvesting the young smilax shoots for their evening salad! Afterwards we took another brief walk in the forest before heading to the marshes. Here we met Fan-tailed Warblers and Turtle Doves and a single Pygmy Cormorant was nice. The ditches were full of *Ceratophyllum spicatum* and a little *Ranunculus trichophyllos*. *Carex colchica* formed dense stands on the salty ground. The *Iris xanthospuria* were not yet in flower (not even close).

We headed for the lakeside restaurant in Köyceğiz and enjoyed a very pleasant early dinner with the wonderful vista of lake and pine-clad hills in front of us. Then it was off to Dalaman Airport just half an hour away for the evening flight.

### Systematic List Number 1 The Flora - Kaş

The majority of the nomenclature has been taken from the Turkish Flora (edited by P H Davis). Non-woody dicot and monocot species are in flower unless otherwise stated.

Aceraceae

Acer monspessulanum Assos Mountain

Aizoaceae

Carpobrotus edulis peninsula

Anacardiaceae

Pistacia lentiscus widespread and locally dominant on the peninsula

Pistacia terebrinthus widespread and locally dominant

Apiaceae

Anthriscus cerefolium Çukurbağ

Anthiscus nemorosum Assos Mountains

Artedia squamata peninsula

Bunium ferulaceum widespread at lower altitudes

Caucalis nodosa Andriake
Eryngium maritimum Patara

Oenanthe fistulosa ditches near Kasaba

Oenanthe globosa Patara
Oenanthe pimpinelloides Patara

Scandix australisAssos MountainScandix balansaeAssos MountainScandix pecten-veneriswidespreadTordylium apulumGökçeörenTorilis arvensisscatteredTorilis leptophyllaAhatlı

Apocynaceae

Cionura erectacommon in the dunes at PataraNerium oleanderwidespread at lower altitudes

Vinca herbacaea Assos Mountain

Vinca major Dereköy

Aristolochiaceae

Aristolochia adalica the large-flowered birthwort. Çukurbağ, Ahatlı etc

Aristolochia auriculata Ahatlı

Aristolochia baseri only the second known site discovered at Çukurbağ

Aristolochia parviflora Kekova Island. Tiny!

Asteraceae

Anthemis cretica widespread
Anthemis cretica scattered
Anthemis rosea carnea Assos Mountain

Bellis annua Patara Bellis perennis widespread Calendula arvensis widespread Carduus pycnocephalus scattered Centaurea aegialophila Andriake Centaurea iberica Çukurbağ Glebionis coronarium widespread Glebionis segetum widespread

Cirsium acicularis frequent at lower altitudes

Doronicum orientale Assos Mountain Echinops spinossisimum peninsula etc

Geropogon hybridus Assos Mountain, Ahatlı etc

Hedypnois cretica Patara

Helichrysum stoechas frequent on peninsula

Inula heterolepis frequent on rocks at low altitude, not quite yet in flower

Koelpinia linearis Patara etc

Notobasis syriaca scattered at lower altitudes

Onopordum boissierianum scattered at lower altitudes – superficially like Notobasis rather than

Onopordum, but much more robust than that species. Nearly in flower.

The Onopordum leaves everywhere were bracteatum

Pallenis spinosa widespread

Phagnalon graecum frequent on peninsula

Ptilostemon chamaepeuce rocks and cliffs and lower altitudes

Tragopogon porrifolius scattered

Scorzonera elata scattered at low altitides, e.g. peninsula

Senecio vernaliswidespreadSenecio vulgarisscatteredSilybum marianumwidespreadSonchus oleraceusscatteredSonchus tenerrimusscatteredXanthium strumariumGökçeören

#### Berberidaceae

Berberis crataegina Ak Dağı, Karaova Beli

Bongardia chrysogonum just finishing flowering Ahatlı

Leontice leontopetalum in seed Ahatlı

#### Boraginaceae

Alkanna spp Assos Mountain
Anchusa aggregata Andriake, Patara
Anchusa azurea Kasaba area
Anchusa undulata hybrida scattered
Buglossoides arvensis Ak Dağı

Buglossoides incrassata Ak Dağı, Karaova Beli

Cynoglossum creticum Çukurbağ Echium angustifolium Andriake

Echium plantagineum amazing football field at Sahilkilinçli inland of Kekova

Onosma frutescens widespread

#### Brassicaceae

Alyssum spp several noted! Arabis deflexa Assos Mountain Arabis ionocalyx Gökçeören Arabis verna widespread

Aubretia canescens Ak Dağı, Sinekçibeli

Biscutella didyma scattered Brassica cretica Kaputaş

Cakile maritima at all coastal sites

Calepina irregularis common Ahatlı, Assos Mountain

Capsella bursa-pastoris scattered

Cardamine graeca Assos Mountain Erophila verna widespread Eruca sativa scattered

Isatis sp roadsides in Çukurbağ

Lepidium cf. coronopus a strange form of this at Ahatlı

Lepidium spinosum Çukurbağ

Maresia nana Andriake, Patara Matthiola chia Kekova Island

Peltaria angustifolia locally common in Kaş area – elegant and impressive for a crucifer!

Ricotia carnosula main highway above Kaş

Ricotia sinuata locally common in Kaş area, main show over....

Sinapis arvensis scattered

Thlaspi perfoliatum Assos Mountain

Cactaceae

Opuntia ficus-indica naturalized in places

Campanulaceae

Campanula aktascii Kaputaş – nice plant!

Campanula lyrata gorge between Kekova and Andriake

Legousia speculum-veneris widespread

Caprifoliaceae

Lonicera nummularifolia Assos Mountain

Caryophyllaceae

Arenaria pamphylica scattered on rocks. Very delicate

Cerastium glomeratum scattered Holosteum umbellatum Avlan Lake Polycarpon tetraphyllum Kekova

Saponaria calabrica Assos Mountain Silene behen widespread

Silena colorata widespread on coasts

Silene cryptoneura Assos Mountain, Karaova Beli

#### Cistaceae

Cistus creticus locally common
Cistus salvifolius locally common
Fumana arabica Çukurbağ
Fumana thymifolia Çukurbağ
Helianthemum nummularia Çukurbağ
Helianthemum stipulatum Andriake

Convolvulaceae

Convolvulus arvensis scattered

Crassulaceae

Rosularia spp scattered
Sedum littoreum Kelkova Island

Sedum caespitosum Ahatlı

Umbilicus erectusnot yet in flowerUmbilicus rupestrisnot yet in flower

Dipsacaceae

Knautia integrifoliascattered in lowlandsTremastelma palaestinafrequent in lowlands

Ericaceae

Arbutus andrachne widespread, locally dominant in lowlands
Erica bocquetii downhill from Gomuce. In nice flower

Erica manupuliflora frequent, especially in coastal dunes etc, autumn-flowering

Euphorbiaceae

Euphorbia characias ssp. wulfeni widespread

Euphorbia dendroides locally abundant, e.g. peninsula and between Kaş and Kalkan

Euphorbia helioscopia scattered

Euphorbia hierosolymitana superficially similar to and as shrubby as dendroides. Local on the

peninsula and between Kaş and Demre

Euphorbia peplus scattered

Euphorbia rigida locally dominant particularly at mid-altitudes

Mercurialis annua widespread

Fabaceae

Acacia cyanophylla naturalized. Coastal.

Anagyris foetida local at lower altitudes

Astragalus hamosus Ahatlı
Astragalus pelecanus Ahatlı
Bituminaria bituminosa widespread
Calycotome villosa widespread
Ceratonia siliqua widespread

Cercis siliquastrum scattered at all altitudes, mainly planted lower down

Colutea melanocalyx near Dereköy & Gökçeören

Coronilla cretica locally abundant
Coronilla emerus near Dereköy

Coronilla scorpioides scattered

Genista acanthoclada common along the coast
Genista lydia scattered mainly inland

Hymenocarpus circinnatusscatteredLathyrus aphacaÇukurbağLathyrus blepharicarpuswidespread

Lathyrus setifolius roadsides above Kaş Lotus halophilus dunes – Patara etc

Medicago arabicascatteredMedicago disciformisscatteredMedicago littoralisAndriake

Medicago marina Patara and Andriake

Medicago minimaAhatlıMedicago orbiculariswidespreadMedicago polymorphawidespreadMedicago rigidulaÇukurbağMelilotus indicascatteredMelilotus officinalisscatteredOnonis natrixscattered

Ononis serrata small red flowered species on the dunes Andriake and Patara

Ononis variegatascatteredPisum sativumÇukurbağRobinia pseudacaciawidely plantedSpartium junceumlocally dominant

Scorpiurus muricatus scattered
Trifolium argutum Çukurbağ

Trifolium boissieri locally frequent at low altitudes

Trifolium campestre scattered throughout

Trifolium clypeatum common in more humid spots e.g. Çukurbağ

Trifolium echinatumÇukurbağTrifolium fragiferumlocally commonTrifolium glomeratumÇukurbağ, Ahatlı etc

Trifolium hirtum lawns etc
Trifolium lucanicum Patara

Trifolium nigrescens lawns, grassland

Trifolium physodes Gomuce and Çukurbağ Trifolium resupinatum hotel on the peninsula

Trifolium scabrumscatteredTrifolium squarrosumGökçeörenTrifolium spumosumÇukurbağTrifolium stellatumlocally abundantTrifolium subterraneumlocally common

Trifolium tomentosum locally common Trigonella velutina Çukurbağ scattered Vicia cretica Gökçeören scattered

Vicia palaestina locally common in lowland maquis

Vicia sativa scattered

Fagaceae

Quercus aucheri frequent in the Kaş and Ahatlı area

Quercus coccifera widespread and abundant

Quercus infectorialocally commonQuercus macrolepisGomuce, Ahaltı etc

Gentianaceae

Centaurium spicatum coast dunes – Patara, Andriake

Geraniaceae

Erodium cicutariumfrequentErodium gruinumscattered

Geranium lucidum scattered throughout

Geranium molle scattered

Geranium purpureum locally common in humid spots e.g. Gökçeören

Geranium pusillumscatteredGeranium rotundifoliumscattered

Geranium tuberosum locally frequent, not many in flower yet

Juglanaceae

Juglans regia widely planted

Lamiaceae

Ajuga orientalis Gomuce, Ahatlı etc

Ajuga bombycinaKekovaAjuga chamaepitysGökçeörenLamium amplexicaulewidespread

Lamium cariense frequent in the high mountains, e.g. Ak Dağı

widespread

Lamium garganicum Assos Mountain Lamium moschatum widespread Lamium striatum Assos Mountain Lavandula stoechas widespread Phlomis bourgaei Assos Mountain Phlomis lycia widespread Prasium majus widespread Salvia fruticosa widespread Salvia horminioides scattered Salvia viridis Gökçeören

Teucrium brevifolium common on the peninsula

Lauraceae

Satureja thymbra

Laurus nobilis common in ravines etc

Linaceae

Linum bienne scattered

Linum strictum scattered

Malvaceae

Malva sylvestris scattered

Lavatera cretica locally common at low altitudes

Moraceae

Ficus carica widespread, cultivated and wild

Morus alba widespread, cultivated
Morus nigra widespread, cultivated

Myrtaceae

Eucalyptus species planted, scattered Myrtus communis widespread

Oleaceae

Olea europea widespread
Phillyrea latifolia widespread

Orobanchaceae

Orobanche ramosascatteredOrobanche pubescensscattered

Oxalidaceae

Oxalis pres-caprae scattered

Papaveraceae

Fumaria kralikii scattered

Corydalis pascheii Assos Mountain
Corydalis tauricola Karaova Beli
Corydalis wendelboi Ak Dağı
Hypecoum imberbe Ak Dağı

Papaver gracilisfrequent in Kaş areaPapaver dubiumfrequent in Kaş areaPapaver rhoeasfrequent in Kaş area

Plantaginaceae

Plantago afraPataraPlantago bellardiiAhatlıPlantago coronopusAhatlı

Plantago creticafrequent in Kaş areaPlantago lagopusfrequent in Kaş areaPlantago lanceolatascattered in Kaş area

Platanaceae

Platanus orientalis river valleys everywhere

Polygalaceae

Polygala supina Demre Canyon

Polygonaceae

Rumex bucephalophorus Patara and Andriake

Primulaceae

Anagallis arvensis widespread at lower altitudes

Cyclamen alpinum widespread at higher altitudes

Cyclamen graecum leaves

Ranunculaceae

Adonis flammea near Gomuce

Anemone blanda . widespread at higher altitudes
Anemone coronaria scattered at lower altitudes
Ceratocephalus falcatus/testiculatus widespread at higher altitudes
Clematis cirrhosa scattered – just a few still in flower

Ranunculus argyreus Ak Dağı Ranunculus arvensis scattered Ranunculus chius Çukurbağ Ranunculus constantinopolitanus Çukurbağ Ranunculus cornutus Çukurbağ Ranunculus ficaria scattered Ranunculus lateriflorus Çukurbağ Ranunculus marginatus Cukurbağ Ranunculus millefoliatus Gomuce

Ranunculus muricatus Ahatlı & Andriake
Ranunculus paludosus Andriake & Gökçeören

Ranunculus rioniiPataraRanunculus rumelicusGökçeörenRanunculus sphaerospermusPataraRanunculus sprunerianusAhatlı

Rhamnaceae

Rhus coriaria scattered

Rosaceae

Amygdalus communis Gökçeören

Amygdalus webbii Ak Dağı, Karaova Beli

Aphanes arvensisscatteredCrataegus azorolusscatteredCrataegus monogynascatteredPoterium verrucosumwidespreadPrunus spinosaAssos Mountain

Pyrus amygdaliformis frequent
Pyrus communis frequent

Sarcopoterium spinosum locally frequent at low altitudes

#### Rubiaceae

Crucianella spAhatlıCruciata tauricahigher areasGalium aparinescattered

Galium canum lovely almost black-red flowered species. Kaputaş

Rubia peregrina scattered

Rubia tenuifolia more common than the previous species

Sherardia arvensis widespread Valantia hispida scattered

Salicaceae

Populus x uzbekistanica planted widely in inland villages

Salix alba Avlan Lake

Santalaceae

Osiris alba Peninsula Thesium bergeri Peninsula

Scrophulariaceae

Cymbalaria longipesscatteredLinaria simplexscatteredMisopates orontiumPatara

Parentucellia latifolia local frequent at low altitudes

Parentucellia viscosaPataraScrophularia lucidawidespreadScrophularia umbrosaGökçeören

Verbascum sp in flower in near Kaputaş, widespread in the area

Verbascum levantina Kekova

Verbascum sinuatum Patara – not yet in flower

Verbascum sp My key - AEGIMOPS(T)VZ(absent)2379(8) road cuttings above Kaş

Veronica anagallis-aquatica wetlands e.g. at Patara

Veronica arvensisscatteredVeronica cymbalariascattered

Veronica lycica widespread and common

Solanaceae

Hyoscyamus aureus Gökçeören Mandragora officinalis scattered

Styracaceae

Styrax officinalis widespread

Tamaricaceae

Tamarix smyrnensis wetlands and coasts e.g. Patara

Thymelaeaceae

Daphne gnidioides widespread though not in flower

Thymelaea hirsuta coastal dunes

Ulmaceae

Ulmus minor scattered

Urticaceae

Parietaria judaicascatteredUrtica piluliferascattered

Valerianaceae

Valeriana dioscoridisscatteredValeriana officinalisscattered

Valerianella spp several present

Violaceae

Viola heldreichiana Karaova Beli

Monocotyledons

Amaryllidaceae

Galanthus elwesii Assos Mountain where only just over

Araceae

Arisarum vulgare leaves abundant, the odd flower left

Arum dioscoridis frequent

Dracunculus vulgaris frequent, not yet in flower

Cyperaceae

Blysmus compressus Çukurbağ Carex divisa leersii frequent

Carex halleriana frequent in rocky woodlands

Cyperus capitatusPataraEleocharis mitracarpaPataraIsolepis cernuaPataraSchoenus nigricansPatara

Dioscoraceae

Tamus communis scattered

Graminaceae

Briza maxima scattered
Briza minor Patara

Cornucopiae cucullatum common in the meadows of c

Lagurus ovatus widespread

Iridaceae

Crocus akdaghensis common on Ak Dağı
Crocus danfordiae a few on Ak Dağı

Gladiolus illyricus frequent at lower altitudes

Moraea sisyrinchium Kasaba Valley

Iris germanica naturalized populations on roadsides at lower altitudes. The fully wild

population on Assos Mountain not yet in flower

Iris unguicularis carica just a few left in the Kasaba Valley and Dereköy

Romulea ramiflora in fruit at Patara

Juncaceae

Juncus acutuscoastal sitesJuncus bufoniusPataraJuncus gerardiiPatara

Liliaceae

Allium subhirsutum locally frequent
Asparagus acutifolius scattered throughout

Asphodelus ramosus (aestivus is now thought to occur only in the western med).

Widespread

Asphodeline lutea Kaputaş
Bellevalia dubia Ahatlı
Bellevalia tauri Ahatlı
Bellevalia trifoliata Çukurbağ
Colchicum triphyllum Ak Dağı

Drimia maritima widespread in leaf

Fritillaria acmopetala Gomuce
Fritillaria elwesii Ahatlı

Fritillaria kitanae Karaova Beli

Gagea granatelli Ak Dağı, Karaova Beli Gagea graeca scattered at low altitudes

Gagea peduncularis Ahatlı Gagea villosa Ak Dağı

Muscari comosumwidespread at low altitudesMuscari neglectumwidespread at higher altitudes

Muscari weisiiKaş's peninsulaOrnithogalum lanceolatumKaraova Beli

Ornithogalum nutans scattered at middle altitudes

Ornithogalum oligophyllum Ak Dağı

Ornithogalum sphaerocarpum frequent at low and mid altitudes

Ornithogalum umbellatum Çukurbağ Ruscus aculeatus scattered

Scilla bifolia frequent near any melting snow - Ak Dağı, Karaova Beli, Assos

Mountain

Smilax aspera widespread especially low down

Tulipa armena var. lycica Assos Mountain

Orchidaceae

Limodorum abortivum Dirgenler. Also in bud in Kasaba Valley

Neotinea maculata scattered, mostly over, but some very nice ones at Gökçeören

Ophrys cinereophila Kasaba Valley

Ophrys ferrum-equinum ssp.labiosa two very fine plants in Kaş

Ophrys iricolor Kasaba Valley

Ophrys lycia the local endemic. Some very fine specimens in Ahatlı

Ophrys lyciensis scattered at low and middle altitudes

Ophrys phaseliana1 in the Kasaba Valley and several near DirgenlerOphrys regis-ferdinandiivery surprisingly one flower still hanging on in Kaş

Ophrys sicula scattered

Orchis anatolica scattered throughout

Orchis italica Kasaba Valley
Orchis syriaca scattered

Serapias bergonii in fact all the tongue orchids seen were this species!

#### Pteridophyta

Ceterach officinarumKaraova BeliCheilanthes catanensisKaputaşCheilanthes fragransscatteredDryopteris pallidascatteredSelaginella denticulatascattered

#### Cupressaceae

Cupressus sempervirensscatteredJuniperus excelsahigh areasJuniperus foetidissimaKaraova BeliJuniperus oxycedrusAk Dağı

#### Pinaceae

Cedrus libani forests on Karaova Beli and Assosn Mountain

Pinus brutia widespread

Pinus pinea locally planted in the lowlands

### Systematic List Number 1 The Flora - Datça

The majority of the nomenclature has been taken from the Turkish Flora (edited by P H Davis). Non-woody dicot and monocot species are in flower unless otherwise stated.

#### Acanthaceae

Acanthus spinosus scattered in the Datça area

Aceraceae

Acer monspessulanum Honaz Dağı

Aizoaceae

Carpobrotus edulis Murdala Mesembryanthemum nodiflorum Knidos

Anacardiaceae

Cotinus coggygria scattered
Pistacia lentiscus widespread
Pistacia terebrinthus widespread
Schinus molle Hayıtbükü

Apiaceae

Anthiscus nemorosus Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests
Bunium ferulaceum frequent in the Datça area

Bupleurum gracile Knidos

Caucalis platycarpos coastal sites around Datça

Crithmum maritimum Murdala
Daucos broteroi Knidos

Daucus guttatus coastal sites around Datça

Eryngium maritimum Gebekum Beach

Eryngium thorifolium Karamanbaşı Tepe – in leaf only

Ferula communis widespread
Ferulago mughlae Murdala

Hippomarathrum cristatumHayıtbükü and near KnidosLagoecia cuminoidesfrequent in the Datça areaOpoponax hispidusfrequent in the Datça area

Orlaya daucoidesGebekum BeachOenanthe aquaticaKöyceğiz MarshesOenanthe fistulosaKöyceğiz Marshes

Oenanthe silaifolia Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests
Scandix australis Denizli area where common

Scandix pecten-veneriswidespreadSmyrnium connatumDenizli areaSmyrnium creticumMurdalaTordylium apulumKnidosTorilis arvensisMurdalaTorilis leptophyllascattered

Apocynaceae

Nerium oleander throughout

Periploca graeca Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Araliceae

Hedera helix Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Aristolochiaceae

Aristolochia hirta scattered in the Datça area

Aristolochia parviflora Knidos

Asteraceae

Achillea cretica Murdala and Knidos

Anthemis cretica scattered

Anthemis rigida most beaches around the Datça area

Anthemis tomentosa Gebekum Beach and Knidos

Asteriscus aquaticus Bağlarözü

Atractylis cancellata scattered in the Datça area

Bellis annua forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Bellis perenniswidespreadCalendula arvensisscatteredCalendula suffruticosumPamukkale

Cardopatium corymbosum amazing blue thistle by the lighthouse at Knidos but not quite

yet in flower!

Carduus argentatusscatteredCarduus pycnocephaluswidespreadCentaurea solstitialisKnidosCichorium intybusscatteredCnicus benedictusPamukkaleCrepis sppwidespreadCrupina crupinastrumscattered

Cyanus segetum locally abundant in the Datça area
Cyanus triumfetti ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Dittrichia viscosa common at low altitude mostly not in flower yet

Doronicum orientale forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Echinops spinosissimum scattered throughout

Filago eriocephalascatteredFilago (Evax) pygmaeaMurdalaGeropogon hybridusscatteredGlebionis coronariumwidespreadGlebionis segetumscatteredHedypnois creticabeachesHedypnois rhagadioliodesscattered

Helichrysum orientale gorge below Karamanbaşı Tepe

Helichrysum stoechas widespread

Hieracium pannosum steppe below Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Inula heterolepis Knidos

Lapsana communis forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Notobasis syriacawidespreadPallenis spinosawidespreadPhagnalon rupestrewidespread

Picnomon acarna widespread, not in flower yet

Picris rhagadioloidesMurdalaPtilostemon chamaepeucewidespreadRhagadiolus stellatuswidespreadScolymus hispanicusHayıtbükü

Scorzonera cana steppe in the Denizli area

Scorzonera elatawidespreadSenecio vernalisscatteredSenecio vulgarisscatteredSilybum marianumwidespreadSonchus asperscatteredSonchus oleraceusscattered

Tragopogon crocifolius scattered in the Datça area steppes in the Denizli area

Berberidaceae

Berberis crataegina forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı
Bongardia chrysogonum steppes below Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Betulaceae

Alnus orientalis Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests
Carpinus betulus forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Boraginaceae

Alkanna areolata ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Alkanna tinctoria steppes in the Denizli area

Alkanna spKnidosAnchusa azureascatteredAnchusa undulata hybridawidespreadBuglossoides arvensisscattered

Buglossoides incrassata ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Cynoglossum creticumscattered in the Datça areaEchium angustifoliumscattered around Datça coastsEchium plantagineumscattered in the Datça areaLappula barbatasteppes in the Denizli area

Lithodora hispidula frequent in phrygana in the Datça area

Myosotis sp several seen!

Myostis ramosissima forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Neatostema apulum south side of ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Onosma bornmuelleri steppes in the Denizli area

Onosma frutescens Murdala

Onosma taurica steppes in the Denizli area

#### Brassicaceae

Alliaria petiolata forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı
Alyssum aurantiacum ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Alyssum sibiricum fine species common on steppes in the Denizli area. Also

several other species unidentified!

Arabis alpina forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı
Arabis verna ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Biscutella didyma scattered in the Datça area

Brassica cretica Knidos

Cakile maritima all coastal sandy sites

Calepina irregularis forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Capsella bursa-pastoris scattered

Cardamine graecaforests above Babadağı, Honaz DağıCardamine hirsutaforests above Babadağı, Honaz DağıErophila vernaridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Eruca sativa scattered

Fibigia sp steppe below Babadağı, Honaz Dağı
Hesperis sp steppe below Babadağı, Honaz Dağı
Isatis sp steppe below Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Lepidium squamatum Knidos. Actually looks more like didymium but need to check

as its not known from Turkey!

Malcolmia flexuosaKnidosMatthiola sinuataKnidos

Matthiola tricuspidata coastal sandy sites

Sinapis arvensis scattered
Sisymbrium irio scattered

Cactaceae

Opuntia ficus-indica Hayıtbükü

Caesalpiniaceae

Ceratonia siliqua widespread

Campanulaceae

Campanula drabifolia Murdala
Campanula erinus Hayıtbükü
Campanula hagielia Murdala

Campanula lyrataHayıtbükü and MurdalaLegousia pentagoniasteppe in the Denizli areaLegousia speculum-veneriscommon in the Datça area

Capparaceae

Capparis spinosascattered in the Datça areaCleome ornithopodioidesscattered in the Datça area

Caprifoliaceae

Lonicera etrusca Hayıtbükü

Caryophyllaceae

Arenaria leptoclados Murdala

Cerastium dichotonumridge above Babadağı, Honaz DağıCerastium glomeratumforests above Babadağı, Honaz DağıCerastium gracileridge above Babadağı, Honaz DağıHolosteum umbellatumforests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Moenchia mantica abundant on the ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Paronychia argentea common at all coastal sites

Paronychia echinulata Gebekum beach. Very delicate species.

Petrohagia dubia Knidos

Petrohagia velutina Karamanbaşı Tepe

Silene behen scattered

Silena colorata costal sandy sites
Silene echinospermoides Hayıtbükü

Silene italica Karamanbaşı Tepe

Silene subconica steppes in the Denizli area Silene vulgaris scattered throughout

Spergularia marina Murdala

Stellaria mediaKöyceğiz Liquidambar ForestsTelephium imperatisteppe in the Denizli area

Chenopodiaceae

Atriplex prostrata Murdala

Halimione portulacoides Murdala and Knidos

Salicornia europaea Murdala

Cistaceae

Cistus creticus widespread in the Datça area

Cistus laurifolius frequent forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı. Not in flower

yet

Cistus parviflorus frequent in the Datça area
Cistus salvifolius widespread in the Datça area
Fumana thymifolia widespread in the Datça area

Tuberaria guttata

Convolvulaceae

Convolvulus althaeoides widespread in the Datça area

Convolvulus arvensis Bağlarözü

Convolvulus compactus Murdala and Knidos
Convolvulus lanatus Gebekum Beach
Convolvulus siculus Hayıtbükü

Crassulaceae

Rosularia spnot in flowerSedum caespitosumscatteredSedum littoreumKnidos

Umbilicus sp

#### Dipsacaceae

Knautia integrifolia scattered

Ericaceae

Arbutus andrachne common along the north side of the Datça peninsula

Erica arborea Karamanbaşı Tepe

Erica manipuliflora widespread – autumn-flowering

Euphorbiaceae

Euphorbia acanthothamnosfrequent in the Datça areaEuphorbia anacampseroswidespread in the Denizli area

Euphorbia characias ssp. wulfeniwidespreadEuphorbia dendroidesDatça coastsEuphorbia helioscopiascattered

Euphorbia paralais Gebekum beach

Euphorbia peplusscatteredMercurialis annuascatteredRicinus communisscattered

Fabaceae

Anagyris foetida Hayıtbükü Anthyllis tetraphylla widespread

Astragalus angustiflorus steppe in the Denizli area

Astragalus sesameus Murdala Bituminaria bituminosa widespread

Calycotome villosa widespread and abundant
Cercis siliquastrum a few in the Denizli area

Coronilla scorpioides scattered
Cystisopsis dorycniifolia Murdala
Genista acanthoclada widespread

Gonocytisus angulatus tall willowy shrub. Above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Hippocrepis ciliataBağlarözüHippocrepis emerusscatteredHippocrepis unisiliquosaPamukkaleHymenocarpus circinnatuswidespread

Lathyrus annus ditches near Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Lathyrus aphaca Karamanbaşı Tepe Lathyrus blepharicarpus scattered throughout

Lathyrus digitatus north side of ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Lathyrus setifolius Murdala Lotus halophilus coastal

Lotus ornithopodoidesHayıtbükü and MurdalaLupinus sppDatça area – already in seedMedicago arabicaKöyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Medicago coronataBağlarözüMedicago disciformiswidespreadMedicago marinacoastal sandsMedicago minimaBağlarözüMedicago murexMurdala

Medicago orbiculariswidespreadMedicago polymorphawidespread

Melilotus italica scattered – very large-leaved

Onobrychis aequidentata north side of ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Onobrychis caput-gallii Hayıtbükü
Ononis natrix widespread
Ononis viscosa scattered

Ornithopus compressus north side of ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Pisum sativumforests above Babadağı, Honaz DağıRobinia pseudacaciawidely planted and naturalized

Scorpiurus muricatus scattered
Securigera cretica scattered

Spartium junceumscattered in Denizli areaTrifolium angustifoliumfrequent in the Datça areaTrifolium argutumHayıtbükü and Bağlarözü

Trifolium arvense north side of ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Trifolium boissieriHayıtbüküTrifolium campestrewidespreadTrifolium clypeatumlocally commonTrifolium hirtumscattered

Trifolium mesogitanum Karamanbaşı Tepe

Trifolium nigrescens scattered
Trifolium pauciflora Hayıtbükü

Trifolium repens Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests
Trifolium resupinatum Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Trifolium scabrum Karamanbaşı Tepe Trifolium speciosum Hayıtbükü and Murdala

Trifolium spumosumBağlarözüTrifolium squamosumscatteredTrifolium stellatumwidespreadTrifolium tomentosumscattered

Trifolium uniflorum above Hayıtbükü

Trigonella astroitesfrequent in steppe in the Denizli areaTrigonella coerulescensfrequent in steppe in the Denizli areaTrigonella creticasteppe below Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Vicia bithynica north side of ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı Vicia cretica north side of ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Vicia cuspidata forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı Vicia grandiflora forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Vicia hybrida Karamanbaşı Tepe

Vicia lathyroides steppe below Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Vicia narbonensis scattered

Vicia sativa Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Vicia tetrasperma scattered
Vicia villosa widespread

Fagaceae

Castanea sativa locally dominant in forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Quercus aucheri Bağlarözü

Quercus cerris locally dominant in forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Quercus coccifera widespread

Quercus frainetto local in forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Quercus ilexgorge below Karamanbaşı TepeQuercus infectorialocally common throughout

Quercus ithaburensissubspecies macrolepis. Scattered in the Datça areaQuercus pubescenslocal in forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Frankeniaceae

Frankenia pulverulenta Knidos

**Fumariaceae** 

Fumaria macrocarpa north side of ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Gentianaceae

Centaurium spicatum probably this species Gebekum beach

Geraniaceae

Erodium ciconiumwidespreadErodium cicutariumdunes etc

Erodium malacoidesscattered in the Denizli areaErodium moschatumscattered in the Denizli areaGeranium dissectumKöyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Geranium lucidum common in forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Geranium mollecommon in the Denizli areaGeranium purpureumwidespread in the Datça area

Geranium pusillum north side of ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Geranium rotundifoliumwidespread in the Datça areaGeranium tuberosumcommon in steppe in Denizli area

Haloragaceae

Myriophyllum spicatum common in water in Köyceğiz marshes

Hamamelidaceae

Liquidambar orientalis dominant in Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests and also frequent

in valleys in the Datça area

Hypericaceae

Hypericum atomarium Karamanbaşı Tepe

Hypericum empetrifolium widespread in the Datça area

**Juglanaceae** 

Juglans regia widely planted

Lamiaceae

Acinos rotundifolius forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Ajuga orientalis local in forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Ajuga chamaepitys steppe below Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Ballota acetabulosawidespread in the Datça areaLamium amplexicaulewidespread in the Datça area

Lamium moschatum widespread

Lamium psidicum forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Lavandula stoechas widespread in the Datça area

Mentha aquatica common in water in Köyceğiz marshes

Micromeria juliana scattered in the Datça area

Phlomis lyciawidespreadPrasium majuswidespreadRosmarinus officinalisHayıtbüküSalvia fruticosawidespreadSalvia verbenacawidespread

Salvia viridis north side of ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Satureja thymbrawidespreadSideritis albaHayıtbüküSideritis lanatascattered

Stachys recta subspecies subcrenata. Hayıtbükü

Teucrium brevifoliumscatteredTeucrium divaricatumBağlarözüTeucrium poliumscattered

Lauraceae

Laurus nobilis locally abundant in the Datça area

Linaceae

Linum biennescatteredLinum corymbulosumscatteredLinum nodiflorumMurdalaLinum strictumHayıtbükü

Linum trigynum north side of ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Malvaceae

Alcea pallida scattered in the Datça area

Althaea hirsuta Hayıtbükü Malva arborea Murdala

Malva cretica frequent in the Datça area

Malva sylvestris scattered

Mimosaceae

Acacia cyanophylla widely naturalised

Moraceae

Ficus carica widespread

Myrtaceae

Eucalyptus species planted
Myrtus communis widespread

Nymphaceae

Nymphaea alba in water in Köyceğiz marshes

Oleaceae

Fraxinus angustifolius in Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Jasminum fruticans scattered in the Datça area

Olea europea widespread as a crop but also wild plants seen

Phillyrea latifolia widespread

Orobanchaceae

Bellardia trixago Hayıtbükü

Orobanche caryophyllacea Karamanbaşı Tepe

Orobanche ramosascatteredOrobanche pubescensscatteredParentucellia latifoliawidespread

Parentucellia viscosa scattered in the Datça area

Oxalidaceae

Oxalis pres-caprae frequent in the Datça area

Papaveraceae

Hypecoum pseudograndiflorum steppe in the Pamukkale area

Hypecoum torulosum Gebekum Beach

Corydalis erdelii ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Papaver spp Gebekum Beach

Papaver dubium scattered

Papaver lacerum steppe in the Denizli area

Papaver rhoeas widespread

Plantaginaceae

Bellardia trixago Murdala

Cymbalaria longipes cliffs at Knidos

Linaria simplex north side of ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Misopates orontium scattered in the Datça area

Plantago afra Hayıtbükü

Plantago creticalocally abundant in the Datça areaPlantago lagopuslocally abundant in the Datça area

Plantago lanceolata Murdala

Plantago loeflingii Murdala. Tiny!

Plantago scabra scattered in the Datça area

Plantago weldenii Karamanbaşı Tepe

Veronica anagallis-aquaticaKöyceğiz Liquidambar ForestsVeronica anagalloidesKöyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Veronica arvensis scattered in steppe

Veronica cymbalaria forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

#### Platanaceae

Platanus orientalis widespread

Plumbaginaceae

?????? steppe near Denizli

Limonium sinuatum common along Datça coasts

Limonium virgatum Köyceğiz marshes

Polygalaceae

Polygala monspeliaca Karamanbaşı Tepe

Polygonaceae

Polygonum convolvulus Knidos Rumex bucephalophorus widespread

Rumex pulcher ditches in Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Primulaceae

Anagallis arvensis widespread

Cyclamen hederifolium leaves on Boz Dagi

Punicaceae

Punica granatum widespread in cultivation occasionally naturalised

Ranunculaceae

Adonis annuasteppes around PamukkaleAdonis macrocarpasteppes around Pamukkale

Anemone blanda .forests above Babadağı, Honaz DağıAnemone coronariaforests above Babadağı, Honaz DağıRanunculus argyreusforests above Babadağı, Honaz DağıRanunculus arvensissteppe below Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Ranunculus asiaticus Hayıtbükü – red form

Ranunculus chius widespread in the Datça area

Ranunculus creticus cliffs at Knidos

Ranunculus ficaria just about over in forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Ranunculus isthmicus stepporum common in steppe in the Denizli area

Ranunculus marginatus Köyceğiz marshes

Ranunculus muricatus scattered

Ranunculus neapolitanus ?common in Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Ranunculus ophioglossifolius Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Ranunculus paludosus Karamanbaşı Tepe Ranunculus trichophyllus Köyceğiz marshes

Rhamnaceae

Paliurus spina-cristi Denizli area Rhamnus oleioides Hayıtbükü

Rosaceae

Amygdalus communis forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Amygdalus webbii steppes in the Denizli area

Crataegus azarolus frequent in forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Crataegus laevigataforests above Babadağı, Honaz DağıPotentilla micranthaforests above Babadağı, Honaz DağıPrunus aviumforests above Babadağı, Honaz DağıPrunus spinosaforests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Pyrus amygdaliformis Karamanbaşı Tepe

Pyrus communis forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı Rubus sancta Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Sanguisorba minor scattered

Sarcopoterium spinosum widespread at low altitudes

#### Rubiaceae

Crucianella latifolia Bağlarözü

Crucianella macrostachya scattered in the Datça area

Cruciata tauricaridge above Babadağı, Honaz DağıGalium aparineKöyceğiz Liquidambar ForestsRubia peregrinaforests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Rubia tenuifolia frequent in the Datça area

Sherardia arvensiswidespreadTheligonum cynocrambeHayıtbüküValantia hispidascattered

Rutaceae

Ruta chalepensis scattered in the Datça area – in bud

Salicaceae

Salix alba marshes in Köyceğiz

Salix pedicellata forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Santalaceae

Osyris alba scattered in the Datça area

Viscum album forests around Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Saxifragaceae

Saxifraga graeca forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı Saxifraga sibirica forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Scrophulariaceae

Scrophularia lucida widespread

Scrophularia peregrinascattered in the Datça areaScrophularia umbrosaKöyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Verbascum propontideum above Hayıtbükü

Verbascum sp My key - AeFIMOQS(R)VW236(?). Datça town

Verbascum sp My Key - AEGIMNP(Q)R(T)VZ2(1)469(8) Hayıtbükü

Solanaceae

Hyoscyamus aureus gorge below Karamanbaşı Tepe

Mandragora officinalis widespread in the Datça area, mostly in fruit

Styracaceae

Styrax officinalis widespread

Tamaricaceae

Tamarix smyrnensis frequent around coasts in the Datça area

Thymelaeaceae

Knidos etc Daphne gnidioides

Daphne oleoides ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı Daphne sericea steppes below Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Ulmaceae

Celtis australis forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı Ulmus canescens Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Urticaceae

Parietaria judaica scattered Urtica urens noted

Valerianaceae

Valeriana officinalis widespread Valerianella spp several noted

Verbenaceae

Vitex agnus-castus common on the Datça peninsula

Violaceae

Viola occulta ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı Viola odorata forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı Viola sieheana forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Vitaceae

Vitis vinifera Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Monocotyledons

Alliaceae

Allium neapolitanum Hayıtbükü

Allium sphaerocephalum steppe in the Denizli area Allium subhirsutum scattered in the Datça area

Araceae

Arisarum vulgare leaves Arum dioscoridis Hayıtbükü

Dracunculus vulgaris Hayıtbükü not in flower yet

Asparagaceae

Asparagus acutifolius widespread

Asphodelaceae

Asphodelus ramosus (aestivus is now thought to occur only in the western med).

Widespread

Asphodeline lutea forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Dioscoraceae

Tamus communis Köyceğiz Liquidambar

Graminaceae

Briza maxima scattered

Briza minor Karamanbaşı Tepe

Lagurus ovatus widespread
Piptatherum virescens scattered

Hyacinthaceae

Drimia maritima leaves frequent – autumn-flowering

Leopoldia caucasica frequent in the Denizli area

Leopoldia comosa widespread

Leopoldia weissiifrequent around DatçaMuscari macrocarpumin seed at Hayıtbükü

Muscari nelgectum locally common in the Denizli area

Ornithogalum comosum scattered in Datça area

Ornithogalum cydni forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı
Ornithogalum orthophyllum ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Ornithogalum narbonense Hayıtbükü

Ornithogalum sandrasicumscattered in Datça areaOrnithogalum sphaerocarpumwidespread in Datça area

Iridaceae

Crocus chrysanthus on the ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Gladiolus anatolicus scattered in Datça area

Gladiolus italicusHayıtbüküMoraea sisyrinchiumMurdalaIris albicansscatteredIris germanicascattered

Iris pseudacorus Köyceğiz marshes

Iris unquicularis carica forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Romulea ramiflora in seed Murdala

*Juncaceae* 

*Juncus acutus* common in wet areas by the sea

Juncus bufoniusGebekum beachJuncus gerardiusKöyceğiz marshes

Liliaceae

Fritillaria carica on the ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Fritillaria milasense forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı
Gagea bithynica on the ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı
Gagea peduncularis forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Ruscus aculeatus

Scilla bifolia on the ridge above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Smilax aspera frequent in the Datça area

#### Orchidaceae

Anacamptis pyramidalis Hayıtbükü

Anacamptis sancta Hayıtbükü and in good flower at Bağlarözü Himantoglossum robertianum a recently finished spike at Hayıtbükü

Limodorum abortivum above Hayıtbükü

Neotinea maculata several population seen, some n good flower, in the Datça area

Ophrys fuciflora oblita widespread in the Datça area

Orchis anatolica Murdala

Orchis laxiflora Köyceğiz marshes

Orchis palustris Köyceğiz Liquidambar Forests

Serapias bergoni Hayıtbükü

Serapias cordigera fine populations with variable colour forms at Karamanbaşı

Tepe

Ephedraceae

Ephedra foeminea Köyceğiz Liquiadambar Forests

Equisetaceae

Equisetum arvenseKöyceğiz Liquiadambar ForestsEquisetum ramosissimumKöyceğiz Liquiadambar Forests

Pteridophyta

Anogramma leptophylla scattered on rocks in the Datça area
Asplenium trichomanes forests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Ceterach officinarum throughout

Cheilanthes acrosticaforests above Babadağı, Honaz DağıDryopteris pallidaforests above Babadağı, Honaz DağıOphioglossum vulgatumKöyceğiz Liquiadambar ForestsPolystichum aculeatumforests above Babadağı, Honaz DağıPolystichum setiferumforests above Babadağı, Honaz Dağı

Selaginella denticulata scattered

Cupressaceae

Cupressus sempervirens scattered in the Datça area

Juniperus excelsa Honaz Dağı Juniperus oxycedrus Honaz Dağı

Pinaceae

Pinus brutia widespread
Pinus nigra Honaz Dağı

Pinus pinea scattered in the Datça area

## Systematic List Number 2 Birds - Kaş

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Little grebe Tachybaptus *ruficollis* Avlan Lake on both visits Great crested grebe *Podiceps cristatus* Avlan Lake on both visits

Black-necked grebe Podiceps nigricollis 2 Avlan Lake

Great cormorant Phalacrocorax carbo Aylan Lake on both visits

Squacco heron Ardeola ralloides 1 at Avlan Lake and c.40 at Patara Little egret Egretta garzetta noted at both Avlan Lake and Patara

Great egret Casmerodius albus Avlan Lake on both visits
Grey heron Ardea cinerea Avlan Lake on both visits

Purple heronArdea purpurea16 at PataraWhite storkCiconia ciconia1 at PataraTealAnas creccaAvlan Lake

Mallard Anas platyrhynchos Avlan Lake on both visits

Pochard Aythya ferina Avlan Lake

Short-toed eagle Circaetus gallicus scattered throughout
Marsh harrier Circus aeruginosus scattered throughout
Montagu's Harrier Circus pygargaus a female over Çukurbağ

GoshawkAccipiter gentilis1 Assos MountainCommon buzzardButeo buteo1 at Karaova BeliLong-legged buzzardButeo rufinusreasonably commonMerlinFalco columbariusa female at Avlan Lake

Common kestrelFalco tinnunculus2 at Avlan LakeLesser kestrelFalco naumanni1 at PataraHobbyFalco subbuteo1 at Çukurbağ

Chukar Alectoris chukar 2 on the road up to Yenikoy

MoorhenGallinula chloropusnoted at all wetlandsCootFulica atraAvlan Lake on both visitsBlack-winged stiltHimantopus himantopusnoted at all wetlandsLittle ringed ploverCharadrius dubiusnoted at all wetlands

Kentish plover Charadrius alexandrinus Andriake
Spur-winged plover Vanellus spinosus 4 at Patara

Little stint Calidris minuta noted at both Avlan Lake and Patara

Curlew Sandpiper Calidris ferruginea 2 at Patara

DunlinCalidris alba1 at Avlan Lake and 1 at PataraRuffPhilomachus pugnaxnoted at both Avlan Lake and Patara

Common SnipeGallinago gallinago1 at PataraSpotted RedshankTringa erythropus2 at Patara

Common Redshank Tringa totanus noted at both Avlan Lake and Patara

Marsh Sandpiper Tringa stagnatilis 1 at Alan Lake Greenshank Tringa nebularia 1 at Patara

Green sandpiper Tringa ochropus noted at both Avlan Lake and Patara Wood sandpiper Tringa glareola noted at both Avlan Lake and Patara

Common sandpiper Actitis hypoleucos 1 Patara Audouin's Gull Larus audouinii 1 at Kekova Yellow-legged gull Larus cachinnans scattered around Kaş

Whiskered Tern Chlidonias hybridus 1 at Patara

Rock dove Columba livia noted at both Avlan Lake and Patara

Woodpigeon Columba palumbus Avlan Lake Collared dove Streptopelia decaocto widespread Turtle Dove Streptopelia turtur Patara

Common swift Apus apus scattered throughout

Alpine swift Apus melba abundant at Avlan Lake on both days

Common kingfisher Alcedo atthis Patara

Blue-cheeked Bee-eater Merops superciliosus 1 seen and photographed superbly at Patara. Part of an unprecedented influx this year with up to 4 at Patara, also seen in Fethiye and no less than 20 in

Rhodes!

European Bee-eater Merops apiaster Kasaba Valley and Patara

Hoopoe Upupa epops scattered

Green woodpecker Picus viridis heard on the Karaoba Beli

Syrian Woodpecker Dendrocopos syriacus 1 at Avlan Lake

Middle Spotted Woodpecker Dendrocopos medius Gomuce and also Çukurbağ

Lesser spotted woodpecker Dendrocopus minor Assos Mountain Calandra Lark Melanocorypha calandra 4 at Avlan Lake

Short-toed lark Calandrella brachydactyla a couple of small groups at Patara

Crested lark Galerida cristata scattered throughout

Skylark Alauda arvensis 1 at Patara

Shore Lark Eremophila alpestris several on Ak Dağı Sand Martin Riparia riparia noted Kaş and Patara Crag Martin Ptyonoprogne rupestris scattered throughout

Swallow Hirundo rustica widespread Red-rumped swallow Hirundo daurica widespread House martin Delichon urbica widespread Anthus campestris Tawny pipit Patara Tree pipit Anthus trivialis Çukurbağ Anthus pratensis Patara Meadow pipit Red-throated pipit Anthus cervinus Patara

Blue-headed wagtail Motacilla flava several at Patara Black-headed wagtail Motacilla flava feldegg several at Patara

White wagtail Motacilla alba widespread in generally low numbers

Yellow-vented bulbul Pycnonotus xanthopygus Kaş and the peninsula Wren Troglodytes troglodytes Assos Mountain

Black redstart Phoenicurus ochrurus Ak Dağı

Common redstart Phoenicurus phoenicurus Gomuce and Assos Mountain

Whinchat Saxicola rubetra Çukurbağ and Patara

Finsch's wheatear Oenanthe finschii Ak Dağı

Northern wheatear Oenanthe oenanthe scattered throughout

Black-eared wheatear Oenanthe hispanica scattered Rock thrush Monticola saxatilis Ak Dağı Blue rock thrush Monticola solitarius Kaputaş Blackbird Turdus merula widespread Mistle thrush Turdus viscivorus all higher areas Cetti's warbler Cettia cetti all damp areas

Zitting cisticola Cisticola juncidis Patara
Sedge warbler Acrocephalus schoenobaenus Avlan Lake

Reed warbler Acrocephalus scirpaceus Avlan Lake and Patara Ruppell's warbler Sylvia rueppelli Çukurbağ and peninsula

Eastern Orphean Warbler Sylvia crassirostris Ahaltı Blackcap Sylvia atricapilla Patara

Eastern Bonelli's warbler Phylloscopus orientalis locally common

Wood warbler Phylloscopus sibilatrix 1 Avlan Lake and 1 Gomuce

Long-tailed titAegithalos caudatusscatteredSombre TitParus lugubrisKaraova BeliGreat titParus majorwidespread

Coal tit Parus ater abundant in higher forests
Blue tit Parus caerulea scattered throughout

Krüper's nuthatch Sitta krueperi Gomuce and Assos Mountain

Western rock nuthatch Sitta neumayer Avlan Lake
Eurasian Nuthatch Sitta europaea Gomuce

Short-toed treecreeper Certhia brachydactyla Assos Mountain
Penduline tit Remiz pendulinus Avlan lake
Woodchat shrike Lanius senator widespread

Masked shrike Lanius nubicus 1 Assos Mountain and 1 Ahatlı Jay Garrulus glandarius widespread and common Magpie Pica pica Elmali area on both days

Chough Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax 2 Ak Dağı

Hooded crowCorvus coronewidespread in very low numbersRavenCorvus coraxwidespread in very low numbersStarlingSturnus vulgarisnoted both days at Avlan Lake

House sparrow Passer domesticus widespread in generally low numbers
Spanish sparrow Passer hispaniolensis several large groups Avlan Lake

Tree Sparrow Passer montanus several at Avlan Lake

Rock Sparrow Petronia petronia 3 Ak Dağı
Chaffinch Fringilla coelebs widespread
Serin Serinus serinus common in forests

Greenfinch Carduelis chloris widespread in generally low numbers

Goldfinch Carduelis carduelis widespread Linnet Carduelis cannabina Ak Dağı

Cirl bunting Emberiza cirlus Ahatlı and Gökçeören

Rock bunting Emberiza cia Ak Dağı
Ortolan bunting Emberiza hortulana Ak Dağı
Cretzschmar's bunting Emberiza caesia Ak Dağı
Corn bunting Milaria calandra widespread

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Mediterranean Shearwater Puffinus yelkouan 3 from beach

Pygmy cormorant

Phalacrocorax pygmeus

1 in Hamitköy Marsh, Köyceğiz

Little egret

Egretta garzetta

Hamitköy Marsh, Köyceğiz

Great egret

Casmerodius albus

Hamitköy Marsh, Köyceğiz

Hamitköy Marsh, Köyceğiz

just one or two noted

White stork Ciconia ciconia noted on nests a couple of times

Honey Buzzard Pernis apivorus 1 on Karamanbası Tepe Short-toed eagle Circaetus gallicus most common raptor

Marsh harrier Circus aeruginosus Hamıtköy Marsh, Köyceğiz and one near

Denizli

Long-legged buzzard Buteo rufinus a scatter of records

Common kestrel Falco tinnunculus only noted a couple of times

Yellow-legged gull Larus michahellis scattered
Audouin's Gull Ichthyaetus audouinii 5 at Knidos

Rock dove Columba livia scattered – the wild form. A few feral ones too

Collared doveStreptopelia decaoctoscatteredTurtle DoveStreptopelia turturscatteredCommon swiftApus apusscatteredAlpine swiftApus melbascattered

Hoopoe *Upupa epops* just the odd one... European Bee-eater *Merops apiaster* Gebikum Beach

Green woodpecker Picus viridis heard in liquidambar woods, Köyceğiz Syrian Woodpecker Dendrocopos syriacus 1 seen in liquidambar woods, Köyceğiz Lesser spotted woodpecker Dendrocopus minor heard in liquidambar woods, Köyceğiz

Crested lark Galerida cristata scattered
Woodlark Lullula arborea Honaz Dağı
Swallow Hirundo rustica widespread
Red-rumped swallow Hirundo daurica scattered
House martin Delichon urbica scattered

Black-headed wagtail Motacilla flava a few behind peninsula beaches

Grey Wagtail Motacilla cinerea Honaz Dağı White wagtail Motacilla alba scattered Wren Troglodytes troglodytes Honaz Dağı Robin Erithacus rubecula Honaz Dağı

Nightingale Luscinia megarhynchos heard a few times on the peninsula

Black redstart Phoenicurus ochrurus Honaz Dağı
Common redstart Phoenicurus phoenicurus Honaz Dağı
Whinchat Saxicola rubetra Gebikum Beach
Stonechat Saxicola torquata Honaz Dağı

Northern wheatear Oenanthe oenanthe Honaz Dağı where very common

Black-eared wheatear Oenanthe hispanica scattered
Blue rock thrush Monticola solitarius Knidos
Blackbird Turdus merula widespread

Mistle thrush Turdus viscivorus Honaz Dağı

Cetti's warbler Cettia cetti liquidambar woods, Köyceğiz Zitting cisticola Cisticola juncidis Hamıtköy Marsh, Köyceğiz Reed warbler Arctocephalus scirpaceus Hamıtköy Marsh, Köyceğiz Great reed warbler Acrocephalus arundinaceus Hamıtköy Marsh, Köyceğiz Olivaceous Warbler Hippolais pallida liquidambar woods, Köyceğiz Sardinian warbler Sylvia melanocephala scattered on the peninsula Ruppell's warbler Sylvia rueppelli scattered on the peninsula

Subalpine warbler Sylvia cantillans Murdala

Lesser whitethroat Sylvia curruca Gebikum Beach Eastern Bonelli's warbler Phylloscopus orientalis Honaz Dağı Chiffchaff Phylloscopus collybita Honaz Dağı

Long-tailed tit Aegithalos caudatus liquidambar woods, Köyceğiz

Great tit Parus major scattered

Coal tit Parus ater Karamanbası Tepe

Blue tit Parus caerulea scattered

Krüper's nuthatch Sitta krueperi Karamanbası Tepe

Western rock nuthatch Sitta neumayer Knidos

Short-toed treecreeper Certhia brachydactyla liquidambar woods, Köyceğiz

Woodchat shrike Lanius senator scattered Masked shrike Lanius nubicus scattered Garrulus glandarius Jay scattered Hooded crow Corvus corone scattered **Iackdaw** Corvus monedula Denizli area Raven Corvus corax rather few noted House sparrow Passer domesticus widespread Rock sparrow Petronia petronia Honaz Dağı Chaffinch widespread Fringilla coelebs Serin Serinus serinus scattered Greenfinch Carduelis chloris scattered Goldfinch Carduelis carduelis scattered Siskin Carduelis spinus Honaz Dağı Linnet Carduelis cannabina Honaz Dağı Cirl bunting Emberiza cirlus scattered

Emberiza caesia

Emberiza hortulana

Cretzschmar's bunting

Ortolan bunting

Corn bunting Milaria calandra scattered, common around Denizli

scattered

Honaz Dağı

# Systematic List Number 3 Butterflies - Kaş

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Papilionidae

Common Swallowtail Papilio machaon a few noted Southern Swallowtail Papilio alexanor a few noted

Scarce Swallowtail Iphiclides podalirius lowlands – just a few

Eastern Festoon Zerynthia cerisyi Assos Mountain and Karaova Beli

False Apollo Archon apollinus caterpillars found at Ahatlı

Pieridae

Large WhitePieris brassicaescattered throughoutSmall WhiteArtogeia rapaejust one or two notedEastern Dappled WhiteEuchloe ausoniascattered throughoutOrange-tipAnthocharis cardaminesreasonably commonClouded YellowColias croceascattered throughout

Brimstone Gonepteryzx rhamni scattered

Lycaenidae

Levantine Vernal Copper Callimachus nesimachus Ak Dağı

Green Hairstreak Callophrys rubi frequent at lower altitudes
Small Copper Lycaena phlaeas frequent at lower altitudes

Holly Blue Celastrina argiolus

Common Blue Polyommatus icarus scattered throughout Green-underside Blue Glaucopsyche alexis a few at low altitudes

Nymphalidae

Large Tortoiseshell Nymphalis polychloros Ak Dağı Small Tortoiseshell Aglais urticiae Ak Dağı Red Admiral Vanessa atalanta a few seen Painted Lady Cynthia cardui a few seen

Satyridae

African Ringlet Ypthima asterope John & Celia photographed one by the

hotel on the peninsula at Kaş

Speckled Wood Pararge aegeria Gokçeören
Wall Brown Lasiommata megera scattered
Eastern Meadow Brown Maniola telmessia scattered

Hesperiidae

Mallow Skipper Carcharodus alceae scattered

# Systematic List Number 3 Butterflies - Datça

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## Papilionidae

Common SwallowtailPapilio machaonscatteredSouthern SwallowtailPapilio alexanorfrequentScarce SwallowtailIphiclides podaliriusscatteredEastern FestoonZerynthia cerisyiHonaz DağıFalse ApolloArchon apollinusHonaz Dağı

#### Pieridae

Black-veined White Aporia crataegi scattered

Bath White Pontia daplidice Knidos and Hayıtbükü

Large White Pieris brassicae scattered Small White Artogeia rapae scattered Euchloe ausonia Eastern Dappled White scattered Orange-tip Anthocharis cardamines frequent Clouded Yellow Colias crocea frequent Brimstone Gonepteryx rhamni just a few...

## Lycaenidae

Sloe Hairstreak Satyrium acacia above Hayıtbükü

Lesser Fiery Copper Lycaena thersamon Bağlarözü

Green Hairstreak Callophrys rubi scattered throughout

Small CopperLycaena phlaeasscatteredCommon BluePolyommatus icarusscatteredGreen-underside BlueGlaucopsyche alexisscattered

Anatolian Green-underside Blue Glaucopsyche astraea One photographed at Hayıtbükü must be

the most westerly record of this species as as far as I know it is unknown in Europe. Also a very low altitude for what is

usually a mid-altitude species

## Libytheidae

Nettle-tree Butterfly Libythea celtis steppe below Babadağı village

## Nymphalidae

Large TortoiseshellNymphalis polychloroswoodland on Honaz DağıRed AdmiralVanessa atalantascattered throughoutPainted LadyCynthia carduiscattered throughoutKnapweed FritillaryMelitaea phoebeDenizli steppes

Satyridae

Speckled Wood Pararge aegeria liquidamabar, Köyceğiz Wall Brown Lasiommata megera Knidos, Hayıtbükü etc

Hesperiidae

Mallow Skipper Carcharodus alceae scattered

Sage Skipper Muschampia proto Karamanbası Tepe

Pygmy Skipper Gegenes pumilio Hayıtbükü

# Systematic List Number 4 Reptiles / Amphibians - Kaş

Ranidae

Levant Water Frog Pelophylax bedriagae common

Bataguridae

Stripe-necked (Balkan) Terrapin Mauremys rivulata Andriake, Patara

Tesdudinidae

Spur-thighed Tortoise Testudo graeca common

Cheloniidae

Loggerhead Turtle Caretta caretta 1 off the jetty at Andriake Green Turtle Chelonia mydas 4 off the jetty at Andriake

Agamidae

Starred Agama Leudakia stellio frequent

Lacertidae

Balkan Green Lizard Lacerta trilineata scattered

Scincidae

Eastern Snake-eyed Skink Ablepharus budaki several Çukurbağ

# Systematic List Number 4 Reptiles / Amphibians - Datça

Ranidae

Levant Water Frog Pelophylax bedriagae common wherever there was fresh water

Bataguridae

Stripe-necked (Balkan) Terrapin Mauremys rivulata Hamıtköy Marsh, Köyceğiz

Tesdudinidae

Spur-thighed Tortoise Testudo graeca common

Cheloniidae

Green Turtle Chelonia mydas One seen off Gedikum Beach (leader only!)

Agamidae

Starred Agama Leudakia stellio reasonably common

Lacertidae

Balkan Green Lizard Lacerta trilineata scattered

Sand Lizard Lacerta agilis Gebikum Beach

Scincidae

Juniper Snake-eyed Skink Ablepharus kitaibellii Karamanbası Tepe

Gekkonidae

Kotschy's Gecko Meriodactylus kotschyii a couple of drowned ones in the covered well

above Murdala!

Colubridae

Dahl's Whip Snake Platyceps najadum Karamanbasi Tepe

## **Assorted Arthropods**

Nigel provided us with this list

**Odontata** 

Lestes macrostigma Dusky Emerald Damselfly/ Patara beach

dark spreadwing

Sympetrum fonscolombii Red-Veined Darter Datca area

**Antlion** 

Nemoptera sinuata Threadwing Antlion/ Common

**Spoonwing Lacewing** 

"Black and red beetle"

**Beetles** 

Alosimus smyrnensis\* Izmir's Oil Beetle Beetle with red thorax. Pamukkale

steppe area

Knidos

Meloe sp.\* An Oil Beetle Black/Dark green beetle on Honaz Dagi

Mylabris quadripunctata \*

Mylabris sp.\* a different "Black and red beetle" Eski Datca

Oedemera femorata "A thick-thighed beetle" Eski Datca.

Oxythyrea cinctella Middle-East Flower Scarab Datca area. Has white line at bottom

of thorax so not the similar Mediterranean Spotted Chafer

Graphosoma semipunctatum Black and red shield-bug Murdala

**Bugs** 

Closterotomus histrio Mirid bug Eski Datca ?? Fire Bug (possibly) Eski Datca

**Moths** 

Thyridopteryx ephemeraeformis\* Evergreen bagworm Datca peninsula (Serapias site)

Autographa gammaSilver-YKnidosTyta luctuosaFour SpottedKnidos