

Seychelles Bird Records Committee

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The following records were accepted during November 2016

African Spoonbill *Platalea alba*

One at various locations on a 5 kilometre stretch of tidal flats from Providence, Mahé to a tidal stream near L'Ecole Francaise, Victoria, Mahé from 5 October to 24 November 2016 (L Soerensen, N Bomholt, M van Dinther, C Onezia, J Souyave, S Agricole, AP Skerrett, A Rocamora).

This is the first record for Seychelles.



Grey Heron inspects African Spoonbill (Adrian Skerrett)

Little Egret *Egretta garzetta*

One at Baie Laraie, Curieuse on 7 October 2015 (K Petersen).

One at Providence, Mahé on 16 April-4 May 2016, two present on 4 May (T Baker, S Agricole).

One at Providence, Mahé on 5 October 2016 (L Soerensen and N Bomholt)

This raises the number of Seychelles records to 41.



Two Little Egrets (in foreground) with Cattle Egrets (Tony Baker)

Grey-tailed Tattler *Heteroscelus brevipes*

One adult at Providence, Mahé on 4 October 2016 (L Soerensen and N Bomholt).

This is the 5th record for Seychelles.



Grey-tailed Tattler (Lilly Soerensen)

Grey Wagtail *Motacilla cinerea*

One at restored fresh water pool for tortoises, Alphonse on 8 October 2016 (P Nogués, A Fernandez, A Greiser, J Prosper).

This is the 10th record for Seychelles and the first for Alphonse, where more species have now been recorded than every island except Mahe, Bird, Aride and Aldabra.



Grey Wagtail at Alphonse (Pep Nogués)