

Aston's Eyot vertebrate records - monthly sightings [compiled by Anthony Cheke - anthony.cheke@virginmedia.com]

[records included for Aston's Eyot, Kidneys, Iffley Fields housing, Meadow Lane (north), OPT land (Sea Scout field), Boat House Island, Long Meadow & Thames from boat houses to Donnington Bridge]

[Notional central grid reference for Aston's Eyot: SP522050; BTO tetrad SP50H = OS SP5204; proved breeding birds highlighted yellow, presumed breeders: grey (mostly confirmed in other years)]

Observer: All observers

Year: 2012

BIRDS	All	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	comment
No. of Species	73+	48	52	42	47	54	47	48	37	37	41	45	50	
[# = flying over only]														
Great Crested Grebe	*				1>									10 April
Dabchick/Little Grebe														
Cormorant	*	*1	*2	1o		1o	1o>	*			*1o	*1o	1o	
Grey Heron	*	1	*	1	1	1	*1	1o			*+1g!	*1	*1	
Little Egret	*												2o>	21 December
Greylag Goose (feral)	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		*	*	*	*	
Canada Goose	*	*	*	*	*	*y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	[no nest AE/Kidneys in 2012]
Mallard	*	*	*	*y	*	*y	*y	*y	*	*y	*	*	*	
Teal	*	?	1♂											
Wigeon														
Pochard														
Tufted Duck	*		*>											Thames, 10 Feb.
Scaup														
Goosander	*		4>											2prs on Cherwell 10 Feb.
Mute Swan	*	*	*	*2	*	*y	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Osprey														
Red Kite #	*	*3	*1	1	1	1o	*	*			1g	*1	*1	
Sparrowhawk	*	*1	1♀		1	1t	1t	*1ty	1	*	*1	*1	*1	
Buzzard	*	*2	*1	1	4!	1	>	1	1	*1	*1	*2		June:distant only
Hobby	*							1>						1 July
Kestrel	*	*2	*2	*1	*1	2>	*1♀	*1im♂		*2	*	*1♀+	*2	
Grey Partridge														
Pheasant	*	1	1hB	1♂	*1h	*y	*y			*1♂	*♂♀	*	*1♂	

Water Rail															
Moorhen	*	*	*	*	*	*y	*y	*y	*	*	*	*	*		
Coot	*	*1	*1	*1	*2>	*	*			2				*>	unusually few autumn & winter
Lapwing	*		4o>												16 Feb.
Redshank															
Common Sandpiper															
Common Snipe															
Woodcock															
Black-headed Gull	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Common Gull	*					1									
Lr.Black-backed Gull	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*			*	*			
Herring Gull	*	*1+	*o		2							1>	*2	>1 nr D	
Common Tern	*						*2							12 June	
Wood Pigeon	*	*	*	*	*	*2	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
Stock Dove	*	*2>	*3	*2	*2	*	2	*2	*2	5o	*3o	*1+	*		
Feral Pigeon #	*	*o	*o	*o	*o	*o	*o	*o	*o	*o	*o	2o	*o		
Turtle Dove	?							?							possible on 25 June
Collared Dove	*	*g	*1K,g	*g	*g	2	2	2	1o	*g		2o	*		
Tawny Owl	*	*h	1h		1h	1h	1h		1h						
Short-eared Owl															
Cuckoo	*					1h>									calling 8-11,14 May
Swift #	*					*o	*o	*o							
Kingfisher	*		1		1	1	1	1	1	2		1	*1		
Green Woodpecker	*	*1	*2	*h	*?2s	*	*	*	*2	*2+	*1	*	*		
Gr.Spotted Woodpecker	*	*1	*1	*1s	*s	*ty	*ty	1	*		*1	*1	*1		
Lr.Spotted Woodpecker															
Skylark #															
Swallow #	*				1	*(1/5)	>	>	*~						I
House Martin #	*					*(1/5)	*g>	1o,>	1o						I
Sand Martin															
Meadow Pipit															
Grey Wagtail	*	1						>				>>			Ms [Boundary Brook]
Pied Wagtail	*	1D	*g			1D								*1g,Mn	
Great Grey Shrike															
Waxwing														*g	c.25 in Argyle St around Xmas

