

Sheepscombe Birdscapes

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These are the 75 different species I have seen while living in the Sheepscombe valley over the past 10 years from 2012 to date, split into different landscapes. Those species marked in **amber** are on the UK Official Amber List meaning their decline is of concern. Those in **red** are on the Red list meaning their decline is of major concern. Those in black are not showing signs of decline.

Everywhere (5)

Species likely to be seen in all the different birdscapes below

1. Chaffinch
2. Robin
3. Magpie
4. Woodpigeon
5. Pheasant

Village (13)

Species likely to be seen most frequently in gardens and in and around the village

1. Blackbird
2. Song Thrush
3. House Sparrow
4. Blue Tit
5. Great Tit
6. Coal Tit
7. Long-Tailed Tit
8. Starling
9. Collared Dove
10. Wren
11. Dunnock/Hedge Sparrow
12. House Martin
13. Swift

Rough Grazing/Skies (4)

Species most likely to be seen in tussocky, higher landscapes and those seen flying high in the skies

1. Raven
2. Buzzard
3. Short-Eared Owl
4. Wheatear

Open Farmland (24)

Species most likely to be seen in open fields and farmland

1. Jackdaw
2. Carrion Crow
3. Rook
4. Kestrel
5. Sparrowhawk
6. Peregrine Falcon
7. Red Kite
8. Red-Legged Partridge
9. Grey Partridge
10. Common Gull
11. Herring Gull
12. Black-Headed Gull
13. Lesser Black-Backed Gull
14. Greater Black-Backed Gull
15. Meadow Pipit
16. Skylark
17. Mistle Thrush
18. Redwing
19. Fieldfare
20. Lapwing
21. Swallow
22. Little Owl
23. Barn Owl
24. Stock Dove

Woodland and Hedgerow (18)

Species most likely to be seen in woodland, trees or in hedgerows

1. Greenfinch
2. Goldfinch
3. Bullfinch
4. Jay
5. Green Woodpecker
6. Great-Spotted Woodpecker
7. Tawny Owl
8. Goldcrest
9. Willow Warbler
10. Grasshopper Warbler
11. Chiffchaff
12. Whitethroat
13. Blackcap
14. Yellowhammer
15. Marsh Tit

16. Willow Tit
17. Nuthatch
18. Treecreeper

Water / River (11)

Species most likely to be seen down by the river or in ponds/lakes

1. Heron
2. Little Egret
3. Cormorant
4. Mallard
5. Mandarin Duck
6. Pied Wagtail
7. Grey Wagtail
8. Dipper
9. Moorhen
10. Canada Goose
11. Kingfisher