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Munnar (dec 015)

Roaming along Madupetty lake a Greybreasted Prinia, a few lovely Pied Bush Chats, a Black Rumped Flameback too impressing, at ground near water later hiding under tea bush. Grey Junglefowl female with 1 young at the undergrowth near the rock, The day before a Muntjac (female) which took to the bushes from the open at afternoon. Madupetty lake is magic. Myriads of flowers blossoming Ipomea, Datura, Indian Canna, a hill Bellflower and high Lemongrass flowering up the hill (Bestandsbildend am HÃ¼gel, mannshoch, too much).



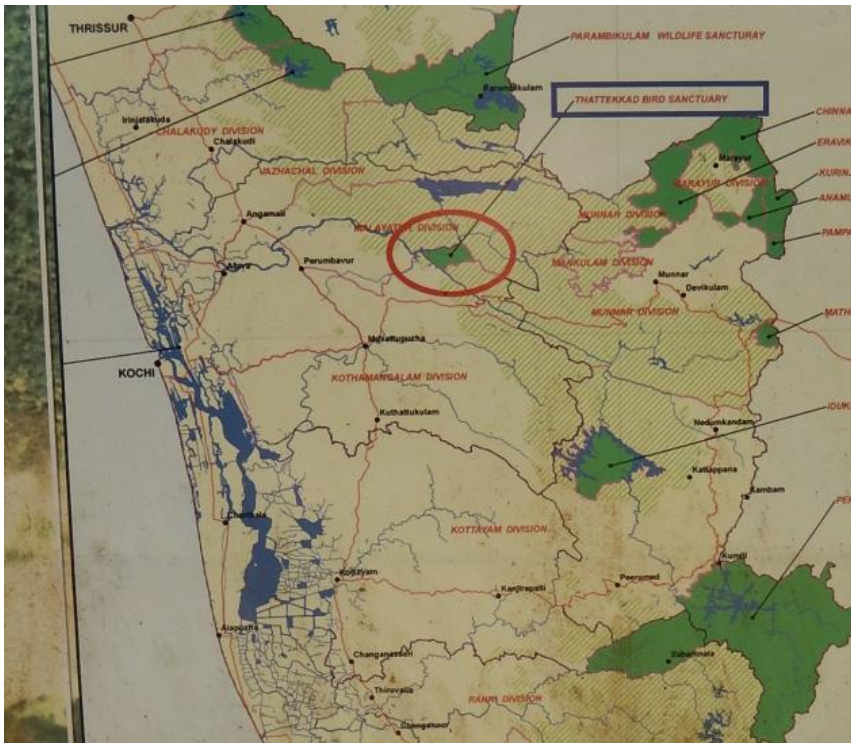






above Kardamom, Pepper on plants and Durian fruit

In the lushgreen hills around Munnar









In the lushgreen hills around Munnar Below Kettle Egret nd imoerssions from around Munnar, Indian Nilgiris southwest subcontinent.








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Whistling Thrushs, Oriols and Bulbuls singing the mornings. At Madupetty lake i discovered high above on tree a Beenest.








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Cordia wallichii
Large Sebesten
Endemic to Peninsular India
Wood is used as fuel and for construction requirements.



Young monkey on watchout near Peryar National Park which has Tigers and very good guest houses

Gokarna region (dec 016)

Whitebellied Seaeagles over 3 days, a single sometimes camouflaged by kites in noon thermics, guess keeping territory and checking for appropriate partner at north karnatakean coastal territory (bachelor ?). The hottest and sharpest i ve seen for weeks - total mission... Some Yellow Wattled Lapwings in hills.

At that time there were also Pied Kingfishers in the coastal areas near Om Beach and Gokarna. At Om beach areas they were mostly gone years later ! Can also be seen at Egypt hught of Aswan.

Pushkar (nov 015)

Lakeside Blackwinged Stilts at Pushkar lake and nice colored Cichlids, which reminded me to Cichlids from the Amazonas region. Seen also at other locations in India but never in Aquariums.

The Cichlids got finally spezified as Orange Chromis (Etroplus maculatus) Ind. Buntbarsch, one of the only 3 cichlid species in Asia They got found in tanks in Goa and the Pushkar lake. Also seen at jheels joining the sea at Northgoan Coastlines, brakish waters. Here to the new Special Fish site





pictures above:
Blackwinged Stilts and Lapwings near Pushkar lake.

Roaming around watched a Sparrow Hawk, returning to village at the lake got attentive on a Watersnake, unpoisen, reminding

me to european Wuerfelnattern (natrix), highly specialised on living in water.

A couple Redwattled Lapwings in the fields around the village.
Pushkar-Agra bio gallery

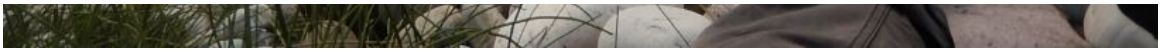
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Rishikesh oct 015

Later resting on a treetrunk. Young Agaman (kind of lizards) appeared in morning sun, female Wallcreeper on shorecliffs, Wallcreepers have nice big spots on wings but these can only be seen when flying.

Further the Crested Kingfisher from last year who choose his special area, Kormorants, joyfull Dusty Cr. Martins at the broken ghat dunes, Wagtails and nice small biotops with farns in between Ganga shore rocks.





River Ganga at hight of Rishikesh

Alps to Bari Munnar - Pushkar - Rishikesh
Dhauladar range to Goa

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