North India Himal Foothills

Srinagar - Kashmir

SUSPECT BOTANICS: at southern hillrange of city plants like Goldregen.at, weissdorn.at (in moist woodside usually in austria subalpine zone) most strange and japan. Fluegelnuss (?!), Pfeiffenputzergraeser, Riesenginster (not 1 bee on it), Arizona pine, Himal Lebensbaum (all on dry locations), Himal cedars.

USEFULL plants Arthemisia (Absinth), Beifuss (both on dry hillside), Kalmus (lakeside). Others as big Water lilies (light yellow) at lakeside, further Wassernueusse (small nice floaters) etc

BIRDS: as Whisekered terns in all phases during young getting on wings, herons, many kites, Pied kingfisher performing during eve, seen from houseboat getting down straight and leaving with nice sound, Comon kingfishers also in pairs and typical sound, fast and straight. Feathers found on hillrange from kites, doves, chicken etc mostly unbroken, some maybe killed by birds of prey but not showing broken feathers, by what it can be checked. Cam got stolen last day in Parvaty valley.

Srinagar - Kashmir (jun.017)

Parvati valley (may.017) On superhike day (24.05) over Pulga and Kalga Spotted nutcrackers, crows, traces of Flying squirrels (kashmiri), 120 goats, 15 buffaloes, 20 horses, about 30 sheep, mostly clean after icewind and rain from day before,

total succes. Goats dancing down some fields and rocks, some even doing cyrcle jumps n moves. The Shaheen, utlimate skymaster of the region. Most astonishing the high altitude mountain hen (murgi) a Auerhenne, 60cm lifeweight at takeoff from tiny waterspot, guess leg cooling after uptake. White outer tailfeathers distinctive. (Maybe Cheer pheasant fem) Seen from 8m, in swamplike high altitude Eibenwoods mixed with breitbart trees (Bast). Kocklass pheasants are smaller and fly sharper. Huge coniveres and fichten. On way down a dark grey mouse (Spitzmaus) at rock in moist. Crows and Nutcrackers looked amused to me and on way in woods many places with newly covered Schwertlilien (Iris) at the swampy woodsteps with granite rocks, more at waterplants, half shady (alt 2700; 24.o5). The research lab (pic) actual topics breitbarts and flin facts.

Himal iris this year on long leaves (much wet), a special one unknown and the Waldvoegelein of the Orchid order, white, which is in our garden.at rose, last two like special locations in uppar valley twice, all uppar valley.

Pariah Kite (lineatus) in which is quite rare, and also the majestic and furiouse Peregrine falcon in uppar valley twice. (mid may o17) - success - And places of excellence discovered further up, 2 big pics with huge Ulmen tree. Fauna Flora

Rishikesh to Kausani Uttarkhand (apr.017)

Leaving Almora the way to the Koshi, sighted a Tawny eagle for short, can also imagine Eagle owls resting there during days, and got to a Saken or very old Stupalike looking hill, 6m high totally round, further over the hills in Pine woods many

Porcupine quills, hardly any bushcover left and a Whiterumped Shama, the near a pond in a streetcurve the mum or dad of all bumbs, caterpillared streetconstruction site, dragon flies and some cows. At the Koshi the special granite covered rocks, named ruby granites because of uncomon granite shape, 2mm getting out between quartz and glimmer schiefer layers washed smoothly. Too much for a fakirs sunbathing, map of scenerie at Goa freak page

Two Shortoed Snakeagles performing greatly, a couple on way back from Anamay Ashram before the thunders and refreshing rains in the hills. Same day late morning Redrumped Swallow families first turn outside nest, gallery via ind. birds list (23.04.o17) - Total success -



























pictures above:
Young monkies climbing on hotel pipes. **Snake Eagles** performing near Anamay Ashram near Kausani, Uttarkhand, a carterpillar, and Himal Langures in the Himal. foothills around Kausani, alt 1800m and above. Ab big Tarantula on bathroom tiles encountered at night after return from a nightwalk, (hight of Rishikesh). Wild Malvae flowers in blossom.

April is blossom season. Monkies conquering and massing hotel garden last morning before take off to the hills (Rishikesh)

galleries: **Rishikesh** **Kumaon** **Kumaon II** **Kosi special** **Dharamkot bio** **Kosi river**










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pictures above:
Young monkey in tree during springtime, a vulture and good views, all part of Kausani. Pigs between cars at Gwaldam. Martens at nesting sites at the River Ganga not far from Rishikesh.

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