

Lake Barrine Bird Species

Australian Brush-turkey	C	Grey Goshawk	R
Orange-footed Scrubfowl	C	Wedge-tailed Eagle	R
Magpie Goose	C	Nankeen Kestrel	R
Wandering Whistling-Duck	U	Red-necked Crake	R
Grey Teal	U	Buff-banded Rail	R
Pacific Black Duck	C	White-browed Crake	R
Hardhead	C	Dusky Moorhen	C
Australasian Grebe	C	Eurasian Coot	C
Great Crested Grebe	C	Bush Stone-curlew	R,h
White-headed Pigeon	U	Masked Lapwing	R
Brown Cuckoo-Dove	C	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	C
Emerald Dove	C	Rainbow Lorikeet	C
Peaceful Dove	U	Scaly-breasted Lorikeet	R
Bar-shouldered Dove	U	Double-eyed Fig-Parrot	C,h
Wompoo Fruit-dove	C,h	Australian King Parrot	C
Superb Fruit-dove	U,h	Crimson Rosella	R
Rose-crowned Fruit-dove	R,h	Pheasant Coucal	R,h
Topknot Pigeon	U	Eastern Koel	R,Mn,h
Papuan Frogmouth	R	Channel-billed Cuckoo	R,Mn,h
Australian Swiftlet	C	Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	R
Fork-tailed Swift	R,Mn	Little Bronze-Cuckoo	R
Australasian Darter	C	Fan-tailed Cuckoo	C,Ms?,h
Little Pied Cormorant	C	Southern Boobook	U,h
Great Cormorant	C	Sooty Owl	U,h
Little Black Cormorant	C	Azure Kingfisher	U
Australian Pelican	C	Laughing Kookaburra	C
Intermediate Egret	R	Forest Kingfisher	U
White-faced Heron	R	Sacred Kingfisher	R
Yellow-billed Spoonbill	U	Rainbow Bee-eater	C,Mn
Pacific Baza	R	Dollarbird	U,Mn
White-bellied Sea-Eagle	U	White-throated Treecreeper	C
Whistling Kite	U	Spotted Catbird	C,h
Black Kite	U	Tooth-billed Bowerbird	C
Brown Goshawk	R	Yellow-throated Scrubwren	U
Grey Goshawk	R	Atherton Scrubwren	R,E
Collared Sparrowhawk	R	White-browed Scrubwren	R

Large-billed Scrubwren	C	Black Butcherbird	U,h
Fernwren	R,E	Australian Magpie	U
Brown Gerygone	C	Pied Currawong	U
Fairy Gerygone	R	Spangled Drongo	U,Mn
White-throated Gerygone	R	Rufous Fantail	U,Ms?
Eastern Spinebill	C	Grey Fantail	U
Lewin's Honeyeater	C	Willie Wagtail	C
Graceful Honeyeater	R	Torresian Crow	R
Bridled Honeyeater	C,E	White-eared Monarch	R
Dusky Honeyeater	C	Black-faced Monarch	C
Scarlet Honeyeater	U	Spectacled Monarch	C
Brown Honeyeater	U	Magpie Lark	U
Helmeted Friarbird	R	Pied Monarch	U,E
Macleay's Honeyeater	C,E	Yellow-breasted Boatbill	C
Chowchilla	C,E	Victoria's Riflebird	C,E
Eastern Whipbird	C	Pale-yellow Robin	C
Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	U	Grey-headed Robin	C,E
White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike	U	Silvereye	C
Barred Cuckoo-shrike	U,h	Welcome Swallow	C
Cicadabird	U,h	Mistletoebird	C
Varied Triller	C	Metallic Starling	U, Mn?
Golden Whistler	C	Common Myna	R
Little Shrike-thrush	C	Olive-backed Sunbird	C
Bower's Shrike-thrush	U,E	Red-browed Finch	C
Australasian Figbird	U		

C=Common Likely to be recorded on most visits
U=Uncommon Recorded regularly but not every visit
R=Rare Recorded infrequently

h=More often heard than seen
Mn=Migrant from the North (approx Oct-Mar)
Ms=Migrant from the South (approx May-Sep)

E=Wet Tropics Endemic

Definition: The C/U/R annotations in this list give an indication of how easy or difficult it might be to find a species. They indicate the likelihood that an experienced birder might record the species, during a day bird-watching, at the right time of year, in the appropriate habitat.

This list documents the species that are most likely to be encountered when spending time at the main visitors area at the centre of Lake Barrine. The list covers the lake itself, the car park and gardens around the tea house, the circular walk around the lake, as well as the smaller circular walk close to the entrance. Other additional species may well be present in farm land adjoining the park, but these are not included here.

Wet Tropics endemic species such as the Tooth-billed Bowerbird and Chowchillas can be found at Lake Barrine and a visit in the very early morning is recommended to experience the loud chanting chorus of the Chowchillas, which drown out all other sounds. Fernwrens also occur but are rather hard to see.

This list includes residents, seasonal migrants, regular & uncommon visitors, but very rare species are not included where we have only 1-2 records. Names and taxonomic order used for the list follow *Systematics and Taxonomy of Australian Birds* by L Christidis & WE Boles (CSIRO, Melbourne, 2008).

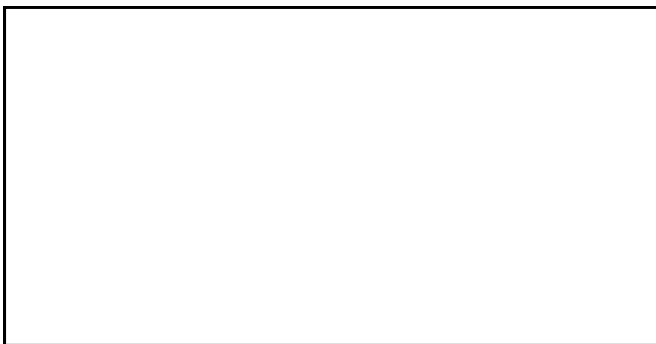
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INFORMATION

Lake Barrine is a 104ha *maar*, or volcanic lake formed by a steam explosion. It is 65m deep and filled by rain falling in the surrounding rainforest crater.

The lake, crater and adjoining rainforest (total area 491ha) are reserved as the Lake Barrine section of Crater Lakes National Park, included in the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area. Toohey Creek flows out to the east and where it exits the Park, a planted tree corridor on private farmland connects Barrine with extensive rainforest to the east. A severe tropical cyclone struck the region in March 2006, seriously damaging parts of the rainforest canopy and forest edges at Lake Barrine.

There are over 100 bird species including nine Wet Tropics endemics, plus eels, saw-shelled turtles, pythons and a Wet Tropics endemic mammal, the Musky Rat-Kangaroo.

Facilities Picnic shelter, tables, toilets. Boat tours operate from the privately-owned Teahouse, with gift shop and a small Wet Tropics display. A 5.7km circuit walk around the Lake is asphalted, with boardwalks in some sections. Ten minutes into the walk, are the famous Twin Kauris. There is also a short circular walk past the Kauris leading back to the entrance road. Wildlife along this walk is quite tame and approachable. Two Tooth-billed Bowerbirds have their stages close to this track.

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LAKE BARRINE

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