

SRING MIGRANTS 2015 (as at 11 Jun).

Please let us know of any spring migrants you see in Argyll even if the species had already been noted. We are keen to see the overall pattern of arrival.

SPECIES	DATE	LOCATION	OBSERVER	Comment
Garganey	17 April	Balinoe, Tiree	John Bowler	pair seen
Garganey	27 April	Loch Gruinart RSPB Reserve, Islay	Don Smith <i>et al</i>	pair seen
Garganey	29 April	Oronsay, Colonsay	Morgan Vaughan	pair seen
Garganey	09 Jun	Kilmoluaig, Tiree	Keith Gillon	pair seen
Common Quail	11 Jun	Hynish, Tiree	Keith Gillon	one calling
Manx Shearwater	26 March	Off Aird, Tiree	John Bowler	36 heading W in 1hr
Manx Shearwater	13 April	Nr Davaar Island, Campbeltown, Kintyre	Chris Bradshaw/ Andy Mckee	one seen
Osprey	02 April	West Loch Tarbert, Kintyre	Brian Baird per David Jardine	one seen
Osprey	04 April	Bellanoch (Add Estuary), Mid-Argyll	Lynsey Gibson	one seen
Osprey	10 April	Nr. Ford, Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	one seen
Osprey	10 April	Loch Leathan (nr Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	one seen
Osprey	14 April	Lussa Loch (N. of Campbeltown), Kintyre	Lee Holland/Sandy McSporran	one seen
Osprey	22 May	Port Ellen, Islay	Alasdair Paterson	one seen
Hobby	11 April	Gobagrennan (nr Campbeltown), Kintyre	Neil Brown	one seen
Corn Crake	17 April	Loch Gruinart RSPB Reserve, Islay	Jack Fleming per Ian Brooke	one
Corn Crake	20 April	RSPB Reserve, Coll	Ben Jones per John Bowler	two heard early a.m.
Corn Crake	21 April	Mannal, Tiree	John Bowler	first on Tiree heard p.m.
Corn Crake	01 May	Oronsay, Colonsay	Luke Wake	one heard at dusk
Dotterel	29 April	Oronsay, Colonsay	Morgan Vaughan	one seen
Dotterel	05 May	Tiree	John Bowler	two seen
Little Stint				
Curlew Sandpiper	03 May	Loch a' Phuill, Tiree	John Bowler	one seen

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Ruff	27 April	Oronsay, Colonsay	Morgan Vaughan	one seen
Ruff	18 May	Hynish, Tiree	John Bowler	one Reeve
Black-tailed Godwit	27 March	Loch a' Phuill, Tiree	John Bowler	two seen
Black-tailed Godwit	14 April	Oronsay, Colonsay	Mike Peacock	one seen
Black-tailed Godwit	17 April	Loch Gruinart RSPB Reserve, Islay	David Jardine	one seen
Black-tailed Godwit	21 April	Loch Gilp, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	flock of 153
Black-tailed Godwit	02 May	Loch Caithlim, Seil, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	two seen
Whimbrel	19 March	Machrihanish SBO, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	flying north calling
Whimbrel	17 April	Traigh Bhagh, Tiree	John Bowler	flying north calling
Whimbrel	19 April	Traigh an Luig, Islay	David Jardine	one seen
Whimbrel	21 April	Loch Gilp, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	two seen
Whimbrel	28 April	Oronsay, Colonsay	Morgan Vaughan	six or more
Whimbrel	02 May	Toberonochy, Luing, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	two
Whimbrel	08 May	Taynish NNR, Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	one seen
Whimbrel	09 May	Loch Feochan (nr, Oban), Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	four seen
Common Sandpiper	07 April	Loch na Keal, Mull	Martin Keivers per Alan Spellman	one seen
Common Sandpiper	12 April	Loch an Losgainn Mor (nr Kilmelford), Mid-Argyll	David Palmer	one seen
Common Sandpiper	12 April	Add Estuary, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	one seen
Common Sandpiper	15 April	Ormsary, Mid-Argyll	Stuart Crutchfield	one seen
Common Sandpiper	16 April	Claggain Bay, Islay	George Newall	two seen
Common Sandpiper	17 April	Otter Ferry, Cowal	Tom Callan	two seen
Common Sandpiper	18 April	Bellanoch, Cowal	Colin MacFarlane	one seen
Common Sandpiper	19 April	Loch Creran, North Argyll	Robin Harvey	one seen
Green Sandpiper	03 May	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	one seen
Greenshank	17 March	Machrihanish SBO, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	flying north calling
Greenshank	07 April	Hunters Quay, Dunoon	Andrew Webster	two on shore
Greenshank	08 April	Add Estuary, Mid-Argyll	Linda Kerr/Jim Dickson	two seen
Greenshank	08 April	Salum, Tiree	John Bowler	one seen

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Greenshank	09 April	Loch Scridain, Mull	Craig Round	five seen
Greenshank	11 April	Balnagown Loch, Lismore, North Argyll	ABC Fieldtrip Lismore	one flying over
Wood Sandpiper				
Red-necked Phalarope	26 May	The Laggan (nr. Campbeltown), Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	two males
Arctic Skua	24 April	Gunna Sound, Tiree	John Bowler	one dark morph
Arctic Skua	08 May	Machrihanish SBO, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	one pale/4 dark morph
Arctic Skua	17 May	Colonsay	David Jardine	one seen
Great Skua	05 April	Ceann a' Mhara, Tiree	John Bowler	one seen
Sabine's Gull	27 May	Gott Bay, Tiree	John Bowler	one adult
Sandwich Tern	09 April	Machrihanish SBO, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	two seen
Sandwich Tern	09 April	Off Port Charlotte, Islay	Carl Reavey per Ian Brooke	one seen
Sandwich Tern	09 April	Tayinloan, Kintyre	Katie Pendreigh	two or more calling
Sandwich Tern	13 April	Campbeltown Loch, Kintyre	Chris Bradshaw/ Andy Mckee	fourteen seen
Sandwich Tern	04 May	Sorobaidh Bay, Tiree	John Bowler	one seen
Little Tern	16 April	Traigh Bhagh, Tiree	John Bowler	two seen
Little Tern	22 April	Langamull, Mull	Anand Prasad	one seen
Little Tern	28 April	Oronsay, Colonsay	Luke Wake	one seen
Common Tern	28 April	Sorobaidh Bay, Tiree	John Bowler	one seen
Common Tern	05 May	Loch Creran, North Argyll	per Robin Harvey	first seen here
Common Tern	10 May	Machrihanish Seabird Observatory, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	first seen (3)
Common Tern	29 May	Loch Gilp, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	first seen here
Arctic Tern	23 April	Gunna Sound, Tiree	John Bowler	one seen
Arctic Tern	05 May	Machrihanish Seabird Observatory, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	10 flying north
Arctic Tern	08 May	Oronsay, Colonsay	Morgan Vaughan	25
Arctic Tern	15 May	Loch Creran, North Argyll	Robin Harvey	two or more
Turtle Dove				
Common Cuckoo	11 April	Glen Fyne, Mid-Argyll	Lucy Sumsion	one calling a.m.& p.m.

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Common Cuckoo	15 April	Benderloch, North Argyll	Robin Harvey	one calling
Common Cuckoo	16 April	Inveraray, Mid-Argyll	Chris Bradshaw/ Andy Mckee	one calling a.m.
Common Cuckoo	16 April	Ford, Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	one calling
Common Cuckoo	16 April	Nr Kilfinan, Cowal	Tom Callan	one calling
Common Cuckoo	16 April	Glen Kin (nr Sandbank), Cowal	Nigel Scriven	one calling
Common Cuckoo	17 April	Taynish NNR, Mid-Argyll	Chris Purslow	one calling a.m.
Common Cuckoo	17 April	Ormsary, Mid-Argyll	Stuart Crutchfield	two calling early a.m.
Common Cuckoo	17 April	Carsaig (nr Tayvallich), Mid-Argyll	Jon Close	seen calling 10:30
Common Cuckoo	17 April	Loch Gruinart RSPB Reserve, Islay	David Jardine	one calling
Common Cuckoo	18 April	Moine Mhor, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson & John Halliday	two or more calling
Common Cuckoo	21 April	Tullochgorm (Minard), Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	first heard locally
Common Cuckoo	22 April	West Loch Tarbert, Kintyre	Allen Duckworth	first heard locally
Common Cuckoo	23 April	Coll	Ben Jones	first heard locally
Common Cuckoo	23 April	Scalasaig & Kilchattan, Colonsay	Mike Peacock	first heard locally
Common Swift	07 May	Kilmichael Glassary, Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	two seen
Common Swift	09 May	Oronsay, Colonsay	Morgan Vaughan	one flying over
Common Swift	10 May	Campbeltown, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	8 flying over at 19:30
Common Swift	29 May	Loch Crinan/Dalvore (Moine Mhor), Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	2 L. Crinan, one Dalvore
Sand Martin	22 March	Loch Leathan (nr Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	two seen
Sand Martin	02 April	Kilmichael Glen quarry, Mid-Argyll	Jonathan Platt	two seen
Sand Martin	03 April	Loch Ederline (nr. Ford), Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	four seen
Sand Martin	06 April	Kilmichael Glassary, Mid-Argyll	Malcolm Chattwood	one flying over
Sand Martin	08 April	Oa Reserve, Islay	David Wood	three seen
Sand Martin	08 April	Gobagrennan (nr Campbeltown), Kintyre	Neil Brown	ca 15 seen
Sand Martin	10 April	Glen Aros, Mull	Craig Round	four seen
Sand Martin	10 April	Loch Leathan (nr Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	seven seen
Sand Martin	11 April	Loch a' Phuill, Tiree	John Bowler	three seen

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Sand Martin	11 April	Kilcheran Loch, Lismore, North Argyll	ABC Fieldtrip Lismore	two or three seen
Sand Martin	12 April	Ormsary, Mid-Argyll	Stuart Crutchfield	one seen
Barn Swallow	17 March	Oa Reserve, Islay	Mark Shields	seen
Barn Swallow	05 April	Fidden, Mull	Carol Marshall per Alan Spellman	one seen
Barn Swallow	06 April	Ardrishaig harbour, Mid-Argyll	Alan Dykes	two seen a.m.
Barn Swallow	06 April	Ormsary, Mid-Argyll	Stuart Crutchfield	two seen 18:00
Barn Swallow	06 April	Oa Reserve, Islay	David Wood	two seen
Barn Swallow	07 April	Tayinloan, Kintyre	Mark Wood	one flying N
Barn Swallow	08 April	Gobagrennan (nr Campbeltown), Kintyre	Neil Brown	one seen
Barn Swallow	08 April	Tayvallich, Mid-Argyll	Chris Purslow	first seen
Barn Swallow	09 April	Inveraray, Mid-Argyll	Glyn Toplis	one seen - evening
Barn Swallow	10 April	Bridgend (nr Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	one seen
Barn Swallow	10 April	Carradale, Kintyre	Alasdair Paterson	four flying north
Barn Swallow	10 April	Sorobaidh Bay, Tiree	John Bowler	one seen
Barn Swallow	16 April	Oronsay, Colonsay	Mike Peacock	one seen
Barn Swallow	16 April	Connel, Mid-Argyll	Mike Harrison	one seen
Barn Swallow	16 April	Sandbank, Cowal	Nigel Scriven	one seen
Barn Swallow	18 April	Otter Ferry, Cowal	Tom Callan	first locally
House Martin	07 April	Scarinish, Tiree	John Bowler	one seen
House Martin	08 April	Oa Reserve, Islay	David Wood	two seen
House Martin	09 April	Moine Mhor, Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	one seen - evening
House Martin	10 April	Minard, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	one circling over
House Martin	10 April	Kilmartin, Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	two seen
House Martin	13 April	Stewarton (nr Campbeltown), Kintyre	Chris Bradshaw/ Andy Mckee	one seen
House Martin	15 April	Portavadie, Cowal	Tom Callan	one seen
House Martin	17 April	Oronsay, Colonsay	Morgan Vaughan	one seen
House Martin	18 April	Ormsary, Mid-Argyll	Stuart Crutchfield	one seen

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Wood Warbler	18 April	Aros Park, Mull	Ewan Miles	one present
Wood Warbler	19 April	Bellanoch, Mid-Argyll	Colin MacFarlane	one present
Wood Warbler	24 April	Rhudle Glen, (nr Kilmartin), Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	one present
Wood Warbler	08 May	Taynish NNR, Mid-Argyll	Jon Close	at least 5 singing
Wood Warbler	10 May	Dalvore (Moine Mhor), Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	two singing
Wood Warbler	29 May	Brainport Bay, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	first locally – very late
Common Chiffchaff	17 March	Dunoon, Cowal	George Newall	probable singing
Common Chiffchaff	18 March	Oa Reserve, Islay	David Wood	photographed
Common Chiffchaff	27 March	Kilmory Loch (nr Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	Colin MacFarlane	one singing
Common Chiffchaff	02 April	Tullochgorm (Minard), Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	one singing
Common Chiffchaff	04 April	Ormsary, Mid-Argyll	Stuart Crutchfield	one singing
Common Chiffchaff	04 April	Crinan Canal, Mid-Argyll	Dave Grant	one singing
Common Chiffchaff	05 April	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	one singing
Common Chiffchaff	06 April	Crinan Canal, Bellanoch, Mid-Argyll	Malcolm Chattwood	one singing
Common Chiffchaff	07 April	Craignure, Mull	Craig Round	one singing
Common Chiffchaff	09 April	Carradale, Kintyre	Alasdair Paterson	one singing in garden
Common Chiffchaff	16 April	Benderloch village, North Argyll	Robin Harvey	one singing
Willow Warbler	08 April	Gobagrennan (nr Campbeltown), Kintyre	Neil Brown	one singing
Willow Warbler	09 April	Oa Reserve, Islay	David Wood	one singing
Willow Warbler	09 April	Loch Gruinart RSPB Reserve, Islay	Peter Gill per Ian Brooke	one singing
Willow Warbler	09 April	Loch Beg, Mull	Craig Round	one singing
Willow Warbler	10 April	Minard Woods, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	one singing
Willow Warbler	10 April	Cairnbaan (nr Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	one singing
Willow Warbler	11 April	Loch Leathan (nr Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	one singing
Willow Warbler	11 April	Lismore, North Argyll (two locations)	ABC Fieldtrip Lismore	one at each site
Willow Warbler	12 April	Ormsary, Mid-Argyll	Stuart Crutchfield	two singing
Willow Warbler	13 April	Peninver (nr Campbeltown), Kintyre	Chris Bradshaw/ Andy Mckee	one singing
Willow Warbler	16 April	Connel, Mid-Argyll	Mike Harrison	one singing

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Willow Warbler	16 April	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	one singing
Willow Warbler	19 April	Taynish NNR, Mid-Argyll	Malcolm Chattwood	many singing
Blackcap	09 April	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	newly arrived male
Blackcap	10 April	Cairnbaan (nr Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	male seen
Blackcap	12 April	Taynish NNR, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	male seen
Blackcap	16 April	Kinnabus, Islay	David Wood	male seen
Blackcap	17 April	Otter Ferry, Cowal	Tom Callan	male seen
Blackcap	19 April	Minard Woods, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	one singing a.m.
Garden Warbler	21 April	Kilmartin, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	one singing - evening.
Garden Warbler	09 May	North Shian, North Argyll	Robin Harvey	seen & heard
Garden Warbler	10 May	Add Estuary, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	one singing
Garden Warbler	14 May	Minard Woods, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	one singing
Lesser Whitethroat				
Common Whitethroat	23 April	Tobermory, Mull	Mike Wagemakers	two seen
Common Whitethroat	02 May	Cullipool and Toberonochy, Luing	David Jardine	one at each site
Common Whitethroat	03 May	Danna (Loch Sween), Mid-Argyll	Morag Rea	one singing
Common Whitethroat	09 May	Ormsary, Mid-Argyll	Stuart Crutchfield	two singing
Common Whitethroat	13 May	Crinan Ferry, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	one singing
Common Whitethroat	13 May	Minard, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	one singing
Grasshopper Warbler	16 April	Portnahaven, Islay	Mary Redman per Ian Brooke	one heard
Grasshopper Warbler	19 April	Moine Mhor & Fernoch, Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	two singing
Grasshopper Warbler	20 April	Ormsary, Mid-Argyll	Stuart Crutchfield	one heard
Grasshopper Warbler	22 April	Cairnbaan, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	one heard
Grasshopper Warbler	23 April	Sgreadan croft, Colonsay	Mike Peacock	one heard
Grasshopper Warbler	24 April	Minard Woods, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	first heard locally
Grasshopper Warbler	01 May	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	one reeling
Sedge Warbler	22 April	Bellanoch, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	one heard
Sedge Warbler	23 April	Oronsay, Colonsay	Mike Peacock	one heard

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Sedge Warbler	24 April	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	one singing
Sedge Warbler	01 May	Benderloch Gravel pits, North Argyll	Robin Harvey	one singing
Ring Ouzel	13 April	Gobagrennan (nr Campbeltown), Kintyre	Andy Mckee	male seen
Spotted Flycatcher	22 April	N. of Port Ellen, Islay	George Newall	one seen – earliest ever Argyll record
Spotted Flycatcher	04 May	Cairnbaan (nr Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	one seen
Spotted Flycatcher	14 May	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	four seen
Spotted Flycatcher	19 May	Tullochgorm (Minard), Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	first locally
Spotted Flycatcher	19 May	South Shian, North Argyll	Robin Harvey	one seen
Pied Flycatcher	20 May	Kilninver (nr Oban), Mid-Argyll	Morag Rea	male seen
Common Redstart	17 April	Loch Gruinart RSPB Reserve, Islay	James How	one seen
Common Redstart	18 April	Scallastle, Mull	Stuart Gibson	one seen
Common Redstart	19 April	Taynish NNR, Mid-Argyll	Malcolm Chattwood	male seen
Common Redstart	24 April	Rhudle Glen, (nr Kilmartin), Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	one present
Common Redstart	24 April	Crinan Ferry, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	one seen
Common Redstart	27 April	Minard Woods, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	heard singing
Whinchat	18 April	Dalvore (Moine Mhor), Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	male seen
Whinchat	18 April	Kilmichael Glen, Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	one seen
Whinchat	26 April	Scammadale, Mid-Argyll	Jonathan Platt	male seen
Whinchat	08 May	Craigendive, Loch Striven, Cowal	George Newall	male seen
Whinchat	10 May	Loch na Cille (Loch Sween), Mid-Argyll	Morag Rea	male seen
Northern Wheatear	15 March	Claddach, Islay	Mary Redman	two seen
Northern Wheatear	17 March	Jura	Andy Robinson	two singing
Northern Wheatear	18 March	Sorisdale, Coll	Colin MacFarlane	seen
Northern Wheatear	19 March	Gobagrennan (nr Campbeltown), Kintyre	Neil Brown	one seen
Northern Wheatear	20 March	Carradale Golf Course, Kintyre	Alasdair Paterson	female
Northern Wheatear	21 March	West Hynish, Tiree	John Bowler	male
Northern Wheatear	21 March	Tayinloan, Kintyre	David Jardine	two

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Northern Wheatear	23 March	Loch Gilp, Mid-Argyll	Alan Dykes	one seen
Northern Wheatear	25 March	Dana Road (Loch Sween), Mid-Argyll	Jon Close	one seen
Northern Wheatear	25 March	Machrihanish, Kintyre	John Nadin & Mark Wood	two males
Northern Wheatear	04 April	Ormsary, Mid-Argyll	Stuart Crutchfield	one male
Northern Wheatear	04 April	Ulva Lagoons (Loch Sween), Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	three males
Northern Wheatear	05 April	Craignish Point, Mid-Argyll	Dave Grant	one seen
Northern Wheatear	06 April	Oa Reserve, Islay	David Wood	three seen
Northern Wheatear	18 April	Kilmichael Glassary, Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	two males
Greenland Wheatear	26 April	Loch a' Phuill, Tiree	John Bowler	two seen
Greenland Wheatear	30 April	Lochgilphead, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	male seen
Greenland Wheatear	02 May	Black Mill Bay, Luing, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	two seen
White Wagtail	02 April	Machrihanish Seabird Observatory, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	two flying north
White Wagtail	06 April	Ormsary, Mid-Argyll	Stuart Crutchfield	one seen
White Wagtail	08 April	Loch an Eilein, Tiree	John Bowler	one seen
White Wagtail	18 April	Moine Mhor, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	one seen
Tree Pipit	08 April	Ormsary, Mid-Argyll	Stuart Crutchfield	one singing
Tree Pipit	16 April	Glen Kin (nr Sandbank), Cowal	Nigel Scriven	one singing
Tree Pipit	18 April	Cairnbaan & Moine Mhor, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson/John Halliday	heard singing
Tree Pipit	18 April	Kilmichael Glassary, Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	one singing
Tree Pipit	19 April	Minard Woods, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	one singing a.m.
Tree Pipit	08 May	Taynish NNR, Mid-Argyll	Jon Close	two displaying
Tree Pipit	09 May	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	one seen