

SRING MIGRANTS 2016 (as at 11 May).

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	02 May	Westport Marsh (nr Campbeltown), Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	Male
Common Quail				
Manx Shearwater	02 Feb.	Off Aird, Tiree	John Bowler	Record early date
Manx Shearwater	02 April	Off Aird, Tiree	John Hughes	44 seen
Osprey	12 March	Danna, Loch Sween, Mid-Argyll	Ewan Halley	First seen 08:00.
Osprey	28 March	Loch nan Cadhan, Islay	Gary Turnbull	One seen
Osprey	09 April	Carradale Bay, Kintyre	Alasdair Paterson	One seen
Osprey	10 April	Holy Loch, Cowal	Geoff Evans	One seen
Osprey	10 April	Ford, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	One seen
Osprey	17 April	West Loch Tarbert, Kintyre	Colin MacFarlane	seen fishing
Osprey	22 April	Loch Gilp, Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	One seen
Honey-buzzard	21 April	Nr Kilmelford, Mid-Argyll	Bob Grove	A dark individual
Hobby				
Corn Crake	16 April	Friesland, Coll	Ben Jones	First reported
Corn Crake	19 April	Balinoe, Tiree	John Bowler	First Tiree report
Corn Crake	21 April	Iona, Mull	Mike Hogan	First reported here
Dotterel	30 April	Oronsay, Colonsay	Morgan Vaughan	Five in evening
Little Stint				
Curlew Sandpiper				
Ruff				
Black-tailed Godwit	15 March	Loch Gruinart RSPB Reserve, Islay	per RSPB	WeBS Count 109
Black-tailed Godwit	29 March	Loch Gruinart RSPB Reserve, Islay	per Ian Brooke	One in breeding plumage
Black-tailed Godwit	30 March	Loch Gruinart RSPB Reserve, Islay	Roger Broad	One in breeding plumage
Black-tailed Godwit	02 April	Gott Bay, Tiree	John Hughes	three seen

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Black-tailed Godwit	14 April	Loch an Eilein, Tiree	John Bowler	three seen
Whimbrel	17 April	Machrihanish Seabird Observatory, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	12 flying south
Whimbrel	17 April	Milton, Tiree	Martin Finnigan	Three
Whimbrel	23 April	Garvard, Colonsay	David Jardine	First seen
Common Sandpiper	14 April	Otter Ferry, Cowal	Tom Callan	First seen
Common Sandpiper	16 April	Add Estuary, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	First seen
Common Sandpiper	20 April	Scalasaig Pier, Colonsay	Alasdair Paterson	First seen
Common Sandpiper	21 April	Minard, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	Two – first here
Common Sandpiper	21 April	Danna (Loch Sween) Mid-Argyll	Dougie Menzies	first here
Common Sandpiper	22 April	Loch Leathan (nr. Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	first here
Green Sandpiper	09 May	Machrihanish Seabird Observatory, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	One flew past
Greenshank	15 March	Loch Feochan, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	One seen
Greenshank	23 March	Add Estuary, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	One seen
Wood Sandpiper				
Arctic Skua	26 April	off Lagavulin, Islay	Alasdair Paterson	One dark morph
Great Skua	07 April	Loch a' Phuill, Tiree	John Bowler	One seen
Great Skua	19 April	Ardnave, Islay	Visitor	One seen
Great Skua	23 April	Oronsay, Colonsay	David Jardine	First seen
Sabine's Gull				
Sandwich Tern	30 March	Bruichladdich, Islay	Val Wilson/David Clugston	One seen
Sandwich Tern	31 March	Machrihanish Seabird Observatory, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire <i>et. al.</i>	One - early p.m.
Sandwich Tern	02 April	Ronachan Point, Kintyre	ABC Sound of Gigha trip	Three
Sandwich Tern	13 April	Loch Gilp, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	two seen
Sandwich Tern	20 April	Sorobaidh Bay, Tiree	John Bowler	One seen
Sandwich Tern	22 April	Mouth of West Loch Tarbert, Kintyre	Alasdair Paterson	six seen
Little Tern	20 April	Traigh Bhagh, Tiree	John Bowler	five seen
Little Tern	30 April	Machrihanish Seabird Observatory, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire <i>et. al.</i>	one seen
Common Tern	05 May	Loch Feochan, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	first seen

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Common Tern	08 May	Loch Gilp, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	one seen
Arctic Tern	17 April	Ardbeg, Islay	James How	two seen
Arctic Tern	02 May	Loch Bhasapol & Loch a' Phuill, Tiree	John Bowler	9 in total
Turtle Dove				
Common Cuckoo	13 April	Kilmartin, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	One heard in evening
Common Cuckoo	14 April	Lochan Add (Kilmichael Glen), Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	One heard
Common Cuckoo	14 April	Duart, Mull	Debby Thorne	One seen
Common Cuckoo	15 April	Rhudle Glen (nr. Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	two heard
Common Cuckoo	16 April	Durran, Loch Awe, Mid-Argyll	Mary Stewart	One heard
Common Cuckoo	19 April	Carsaig, Tayvallich, Mid-Argyll	Lottie Goodlet	One heard p.m.
Common Cuckoo	19 April	Ardmarnoch Estate, Cowal	Dave Warden	One heard in evening
Common Cuckoo	20 April	Tullochgorm (Minard), Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	One heard
Common Cuckoo	23 April	Balure, Benderloch, North Argyll	Moira Scott	One heard
Common Cuckoo	25 April	Loch Craginish, Mid-Argyll	Phil Dickinson	One heard
Common Cuckoo	01 May	Carnan Mor, Tiree	John Bowler	First on Tiree
Common Swift	06 May	Kilmichael Glassary, Mid-Argyll	Lynsey Gibson	Three seen
Common Swift	10 May	Campbeltown, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	First locally
Sand Martin	27 March	Loch Gruinart RSPB Reserve, Islay	James How	One seen
Sand Martin	27 March	Loch Leathan (nr. Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	Four in evening
Sand Martin	28 March	Loch Leathan (nr. Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	Six seen
Sand Martin	29 March	Killiechronan, Mull	Arthur Brown	First seen here
Sand Martin	02 April	West Coast Salmon, Kintyre	ABC Sound of Gigha trip	five
Sand Martin	03 April	Bunessan, Mull	Tony Jeffree	several
Sand Martin	05 April	Ardtur, North Argyll	David Jardine	Six seen
Sand Martin	08 April	Loch an Eilein, Tiree	John Bowler	seen
Sand Martin	09 April	Moine Mhor, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	several
Sand Martin	10 April	Achnamara, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	Five seen
Barn Swallow	28 March	Balvicar, Seil Island, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	One seen

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Barn Swallow	28 March	Oyster farm, Gruinart, Islay	Val Wilson/David Clugston	One seen
Barn Swallow	28 March	Blackrock, Islay	Peter Gill	One seen
Barn Swallow	02 April	Carsaig Bay (Tayvallich), Mid-Argyll	Dougie Menzies	One seen
Barn Swallow	03 April	Tiretigan, Knapdale, Mid-Argyll	Errol Crutchfield	One seen
Barn Swallow	03 April	Machrihanish Seabird Observatory, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire <i>et. al.</i>	12 in 6 hrs
Barn Swallow	03 April	Bunessan, Mull	Tony Jeffree	several
Barn Swallow	08 April	Loch a' Phuill, Tiree	John Hughes	one seen
Barn Swallow	09 April	Dail, Glen Etive, North Argyll	John Sedgwick	One flying NE p.m.
Barn Swallow	11 April	Bridgend nr. Lochgilphead, Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	One a.m..
Barn Swallow	14 April	Bridgend nr. Lochgilphead, Mid-Argyll	Malcolm Chattwood	8 together
Barn Swallow	18 April	Loch an Eilein, Tiree	John Bowler	one seen
Barn Swallow	27 April	Minard, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	first seen locally
House Martin	09 April	Dail, Glen Etive, North Argyll	John Sedgwick	One flying NE p.m.
House Martin	12 April	Loch Indaal, Islay	Bob Swann	One at head of loch
House Martin	14 April	Kilfinichen, Mull	Paul Thomas	two – first on Mull
House Martin	20 April	Kilmichael Glen, Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	First seen here
House Martin	21 April	Otter Ferry, Cowal	Tom Callan	First seen here
House Martin	23 April	Bridgend nr. Lochgilphead, Mid-Argyll	Malcolm Chattwood	three - first here
House Martin	27 April	Coshandrochaid (Loch Sween), Mid-Argyll	Kevin & Sue Richardson	one - first here
House Martin	02 May	Loch an Eilein, Tiree	John Bowler	one seen - first here
Wood Warbler	17 April	Kilmichael Glen, Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	First heard singing
Wood Warbler	27 April	Taynish NNR, Mid-Argyll	Jon Close	4 or more singing
Wood Warbler	29 April	Dunardry, Cairnbaan, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	singing
Wood Warbler	01 May	Dalvore, Moine Mhor, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	3 singing in area
Wood Warbler	05 May	Kilmory, Lochgilphead, Mid-Argyll	Jonathan Platt	One singing
Common Chiffchaff	14 March	Balephuill, Tiree	Janet Bowler	First reported
Common Chiffchaff	27 March	Minard Castle, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	One singing
Common Chiffchaff	28 March	Bardrishaig, Luing, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	One singing

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Common Chiffchaff	02 April	Dunoon, Cowal	George Newall	Seen & heard
Common Chiffchaff	02 April	Pennyghael, Mull	Bryan Rains	One in evening
Common Chiffchaff	03 April	Ormsary, Mid-Argyll	Stuart Crutchfield	one heard
Common Chiffchaff	05 April	Oban, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	present
Common Chiffchaff	06 April	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	One singing
Common Chiffchaff	07 April	Nr. Innellan, Cowal	Cherry Cook	One singing
Common Chiffchaff	07 April	Rhudle Glen (nr. Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	One singing
Common Chiffchaff	09 April	Bellanoch & Kilmartin, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	singing
Common Chiffchaff	10 April	South Shian, North Argyll	Robin Harvey	singing
Willow Warbler	07 April	Barr Glen, Kintyre	Angus Murray	One singing
Willow Warbler	09 April	Ormsary, Mid-Argyll	Stuart Crutchfield	One singing a.m.
Willow Warbler	09 April	Garmony, Mull	Juliet Vines	One singing p.m.
Willow Warbler	10 April	Taynish NNR, Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	Several singing
Willow Warbler	10 April	Balephuill and Meningie, Tiree	John Bowler	singing
Willow Warbler	14 April	Kilmory Woods, Lochgilphead, Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	9 singing
Willow Warbler	15 April	Kilmichael Glen, Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	Several singing
Willow Warbler	17 April	Tullochgorm (Minard), Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	5 singing
Blackcap	10 April	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	A female
Blackcap	13 April	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	A male
Blackcap	15 April	Arduaine Gardens, Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	One singing
Blackcap	15 April	Kilmory (Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	Malcolm Chattwood	One singing
Blackcap	16 April	Taynish NNR, Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	One singing
Blackcap	23 April	Connel, Mid-Argyll	Mike Harrison	One singing
Blackcap	23 April	Coshandrochaid (Loch Sween), Mid-Argyll	Kevin & Sue Richardson	One singing
Blackcap	27 April	Crarae Gardens, Minard, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	first heard locally
Garden Warbler	06 May	Woodhouse, Minard, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	One singing
Garden Warbler	06 May	Ardkinglas Woodland, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	One singing
Garden Warbler	10 May	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	One late p.m.

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Lesser Whitethroat				
Common Whitethroat	24 April	Coshandrochaid (Loch Sween), Mid-Argyll	Kevin & Sue Richardson	One singing
Common Whitethroat	06 May	Luing, Mid-Argyll	Linda & David Gibson	One singing
Common Whitethroat	08 May	Kilmartin, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	One singing
Common Whitethroat	09 May	Balephuill/Carnan Mor, Tiree	John Bowler	Male at each site
Common Whitethroat	09 May	Dalvore, Moine Mhor, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	One singing
Grasshopper Warbler	20 April	Lochgilphead, Mid-Argyll	Colin MacFarlane	One singing
Grasshopper Warbler	21 April	Clachaig (nr Dunoon), Cowal	Neil Hammatt	two singing
Grasshopper Warbler	21 April	Kilmelford etc., Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	at 3 locations
Grasshopper Warbler	22 April	Fernoch (Kilmichael Glen), Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	One singing
Grasshopper Warbler	23 April	Taynish NNR, Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	One singing
Grasshopper Warbler	24 April	Nursery Cottages, Minard, Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	two singing
Grasshopper Warbler	24 April	Coshandrochaid (Loch Sween), Mid-Argyll	Kevin & Sue Richardson	One singing
Grasshopper Warbler	06 May	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	Two
Sedge Warbler	13 April	Loch Gruinart RSPB Reserve, Islay	James How	One calling
Sedge Warbler	23 April	East Loch Fada, Colonsay	David Jardine	One singing
Sedge Warbler	24 April	Coshandrochaid (Loch Sween), Mid-Argyll	Kevin & Sue Richardson	One singing
Sedge Warbler	04 May	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	1 singing – 1 st on Tiree
Reed Warbler	11 May	Balephuill, Tiree	John Bowler	One singing
Ring Ouzel	29 March	Lochan Add (nr. Loch Leathan), Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	Male seen
Ring Ouzel	20 April	Cruach Mhor, Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	Male seen
Ring Ouzel	08 May	Nr Croig, Mull	Dave & Helen Tanner	female seen
Spotted Flycatcher	30 April	Garmony, Mull	Peter Hall	First reported
Spotted Flycatcher	07 May	Taynish NNR, Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	One seen
Spotted Flycatcher	08 May	Dalvore, Moine Mhor, Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	One seen
Spotted Flycatcher	09 May	Balephuill etc., Tiree	John Bowler	6 at 3 locations
Pied Flycatcher	21 April	Knock, Mull	Martin & Stella Jones	Male & female seen
Pied Flycatcher	07 May	Scarinish, Tiree	John Bowler	Male seen

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Common Redstart	16 April	Taynish NNR, Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	6 present
Common Redstart	20 April	Rhudle Glen (nr. Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	First seen here
Common Redstart	30 April	Lochbuie, Mull	Ewan Miles	First seen here
Whinchat	20 April	Moine Mhor, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	One seen
Whinchat	23 April	Loch Beg, Mull	Bryan Rains	One seen
Whinchat	25 April	Coshandrochaid (Loch Sween), Mid-Argyll	Kevin & Sue Richardson	Male seen
Northern Wheatear	23 March	Ross of Mull, Mull	Tony Jeffree	First seen
Northern Wheatear	24 March	near Loch Spelve, Mull	Joe Margetts	One seen p.m.
Northern Wheatear	25 March	Kilchiaran, Islay	Bob Davison	Male seen a.m.
Northern Wheatear	27 March	Carsaig Bay (Tayvallich), Mid-Argyll	Dougie Menzies	One seen
Northern Wheatear	02 April	Tayinloan, Kintyre	ABC Sound of Gigha trip	two
Northern Wheatear	03 April	Machrihanish Seabird Observatory, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire <i>et. al.</i>	two
Northern Wheatear	05 April	Balemartine - Hynish, Tiree	John Hughes	six seen
Northern Wheatear	07 April	Kilmichael Glen, Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	One seen
Northern Wheatear	09 April	Ceann a' Mhara, Tiree	John Bowler	four
Northern Wheatear	13 April	Lochgilphead, Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	A male
Greenland Wheatear	03 May	Heylipol & Sandaig, Tiree	John Bowler	4 in all
White Wagtail	15 March	Machrihanish Seabird Observatory, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	A male, first of spring
White Wagtail	16 March	Machrihanish Seabird Observatory, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	At least 10
White Wagtail	20 April	Machrihanish Seabird Observatory, Kintyre	Eddie Maguire	18 flying north
White Wagtail	21 April	The Reef, Tiree	John Bowler	7 – first on Tiree
White Wagtail	27 April	Barsloisnoch (Moine Mhor), Mid-Argyll	Jim Dickson	6 together
Tree Pipit	15 April	Kilmichael forest, Mid-Argyll	David Jardine	First seen
Tree Pipit	16 April	Taynish NNR, Mid-Argyll	John Halliday	Two singing
Tree Pipit	17 April	Tullochgorm (Minard), Mid-Argyll	Paul Daw	Two singing
Tree Pipit	20 April	Rhudle Glen (nr. Lochgilphead), Mid-Argyll	Blair Urquhart	First here
Tree Pipit	21 April	Clachaig (nr Dunoon), Cowal	Neil Hammatt	First here