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#### Day 1

With four of the six guests having gathered at the airport in Lyon, we set out to meet the final two members of our group near our first stop on the way to our hotel. We had soon found them and popped to a local boulangerie to pick up lunch before heading to our site, a bog which would be a completely different habitat to anything else this week.



Keeled Skimmer @ Caroline J

Having parked up, we enjoyed our sandwiches to the tune of Blackcap and Chiffchaff singing while several dragonflies were spotted darting over a small pool next to the carpark. As we ate, Cindy spotted a Short-toed Eagle gliding past low overhead and disappearing behind the trees. Once we'd finished our food, we took a closer look at the pool and established that there were both Broad-bodied Chaser and Keeled Skimmer here plus a number of Pool Frogs in the water and several butterflies flitting around the edges. A Brown Argus was joined by a Provençal Short-tailed Blue and a Brimstone flitted past, then just as we were about to move on, a Dingy

Skipper was spotted basking on the edge too.

We eventually tore ourselves away from this fascinating spot and entered the reserve proper, to be greeted by a plethora of other dragonfly species including Scarlet Darter, Emperor, Four-spotted Chaser and Blue-tailed Damselfly. They were hawking over a small patch of open water surrounded by some specialised plant species such as Marsh Skullcap, both Purple and Yellow Loosestrifes and Marsh Fern plus a huge variety of rushes and sedges.

Further round, we started to see some more butterflies starting with a sailing Scarce Swallowtail. In the shade of the Willows on the far side of the reserve, we spotted a Speckled Wood returning to a small patch of sunlight. Beyond, we came across a large patch of naturalised Purple Pitcher Plants and here we also saw Marbled White, more Provençal Short-tailed Blues, Ringlet and Large White along with Azure Damselfly and Beautiful Demoiselle.

We were soon ready to move on however and made the remainder of our journey to the hotel in good time. Having had a little time to settle after checking in, we took a walk around the village and added yet more species to our burgeoning list. The first were Small Heath and White Admiral, with a pair of the latter making a swift patrol over a stream. Sharp-eyed Barbara noticed a pretty Latticed Heath moth not too far away and Maisie caught sight of an Essex Skipper nectaring on some Viper's Bugloss.

Swifts were screaming overhead as we turned uphill and past a small water fountain, and the first Hummingbird Hawkmoth of the afternoon was spotted visiting a local garden. A Wall Lizard was seen high on the side of a building as we found ourselves passing into farmland. There were a few more butterflies and other insects out here. We had already seen Marbled White and Small Heath today but they were joined by the first Large Skipper of the day and a colourful Trichodes beetle.

A little further on, while some of the group were admiring the artwork about nature on the back of a sign about the local topography, Caroline found a Transparent Burnet moth. A Silver-washed Fritillary then flew round us at knee height before disappearing at high speed. A Kestrel was noted overhead as we



Transparent Burnet @ Caroline J

drew closer to the hotel again. We paused next to a paddock with some horses in and were amused to see one being ridden by a White Wagtail that was catching flies from its back. Meanwhile Wild Clary in the paddock was attracting Violet Carpenter Bee and Clouded Yellow.

Finally returning to the hotel, a couple of the group managed to find a Queen of Spain Fritillary in the grounds before finishing the walk. We met later in the evening for a preliminary list and drink before a delicious dinner.

## Day 2

We began today with a walk from the hotel after breakfast. We started walking out through the village and noted several of the same species of butterflies we had seen yesterday. Cutting up a walking path that was bordered on one side by a stream bed and on the other by a hedgerow with trees, we found our first new species of the day, a Heath Fritillary, swiftly followed by another, the Southern Small White. Nearby we found the attractive Wood Cow-wheat with yellow flowers below purple upper leaves and Small Yellow Foxglove. Cindy spotted a Common Buzzard soaring overhead and Maisie noticed a Hornet mimic Hoverfly in a shrub beside the path. Further on, we found Sand Leek in flower and emerging onto a gravel track we noted Common Blue along with several Burnets along the edge, while Skylarks rose in song flights from the fields around us.

Rounding a bend, we came across a family group of young White Wagtails that looked to have recently fledged and which were now foraging for insects together. Clouded Yellows fluttered on the edge of a Barley field as we turned uphill and a few plants of Greater Knapweed played host to Violet Carpenter Bees, White-spotted Rose Chafers and an Oak Orb Weaver. As we reached a hedgerow, Yellowhammers were calling and a Linnet was spotted.



Marbled Fritillary @ Cindy L

We made our way into an area that is often long grass with a few flowers but which had already been cut this year. Despite this it yielded several species of interest. There were a couple of Great Banded Graylings batting around at high speed, and although they didn't settle, they did seem to take an interest in the group, fluttering through and around us for a few minutes at ankle level so that we all had a good view. On the bank around the edge, a Marbled Fritillary was nectaring on Field Scabious and several Great Green Bush-crickets were found among the shrubs too. There were some smart red Four-spotted Leaf Beetles and then Maisie found a single Lizard Orchid in good condition.

Moving on, we made our way along a field edge and into the edge of some mostly coniferous woodland where we started to find some lovely plants. Most notable were the orchids. We found Common Spotted and Chalk Fragrant both in good flower followed by a Dark Red Helleborine in bud. Then some lovely Red Helleborines in flower and finally a Pyramidal Orchid in perfect condition. There were Crested Tits and Coal Tits calling in the trees around us and towards the bottom of the path where we rejoined the track, we found a Scarlet Tiger Moth among the foliage.

Here, we turned back towards the village and walked back the way we had come, taking a slightly different route around half way and pausing outside a house where we spotted a Black Redstart on the roof. While we watched, Barbara spotted a Purple Emperor alight in the tree behind us and then a Silver-washed Fritillary on the branch below. Shortly afterwards we also spotted our first Small Tortoiseshell of the week fluttering along the road as we continued on our way.

Back at the hotel we had a brief break and collected our picnic lunches before setting out once more and heading up the hill to the nearest Col where there is a pleasant picnic spot beneath the trees. We ate here before exploring further and when we did



Purple Emperor @ Pete FKeelid



Alcon Blue @ Pete F

we were not disappointed. There were Yellow Gentians, Slender Broomrape and Alpine Plantain to enjoy on the plant front. Meanwhile, just above the picnic benches, a large patch of Prostrate Canary Clover proved alluring to the butterflies and we found Scarce Copper, Small Copper, Amanda's Blue and Pearly Heath all enjoying it. Behind us, an Alcon Blue was nectaring on Sainfoin and up the hill a little way, a single Black-veined White was spotted.

Over the road, we explored a track that lead alongside some damp meadows and found a large patch of Masterwort and Peach-leaved Bellflowers beneath the shade of some trees. In the wettest part, Marsh Helleborine flowered amongst Broad-leaved Cotton Grass and nearby Caroline found a Small Blue. Further on, we heard Firecrest in the woods and found Fringed Pink, White Flax and Cut-leaved Selfheal flowering. A Niobe Fritillary was spotted in a small meadow and a Cleopatra flew through. On the way back, we found some Bath Asparagus flowering and Barbara noticed a Cross Gentian in full bloom.

From here, half the group opted to walk back to the hotel while the rest took an early end to the day since it was a hot day. The group that walked reported hearing Bonelli's Warbler and seeing Dark Green Fritillary on their way back.

After dinner, a moth trap was set and we arranged to meet before breakfast in the morning to empty it together.

### Day 3

The day began earlier than most with those that wanted to join the moth trapping heading into the hotel garden for 7am to find out what had been enticed in overnight. It was a big haul with Poplar, Privet, Pine and Small Elephant Hawkmoths, plus two species of Lappet, several Four-spotted Footmen and Lackeys, a variety of other larger moths and a vast number of micro moths. In total we recorded over forty species that were identifiable, although there were several that were only possible to genus level which we did not record.

After a slightly later breakfast, we gathered our lunches and set out for the day. We headed to a wooded valley on the far side of Mont Aiguille from our hotel and were soon parking up. It took us some time to actually leave the vicinity of the car park as Swallowtail, Red Admiral, Small Tortoiseshell, Heath Fritillary, Brimstone, Large Skipper, Marbled White and finally a Purple Emperor were all spotted before we started our walk properly. In fact, we had barely made it any further before we reached a manure heap beside the path which played host to a few others too including Marbled, Mallow and Large Grizzled Skippers, plus Common and Mazarine Blues. Nearby we also found an Eros Blue.



Eros Blue @ Caroline J



*Liparus coronatus* @ Alice Hunter

Walking on uphill, Paul found the first of many Large Yellow Foxgloves and we came across Mountain Cornflower and Martagon Lily. A Bee Chafer was noted along with a beautiful white form of Flower Crab Spider with pink stripes down the sides of its abdomen and Maisie found a large black Weevil with small yellow spots on its head which we later identified as *Liparus coronatus*. In the meantime, Cindy was scanning the skies and caught sight of two Griffon Vultures over the peaks of Grand Veymont along with a flock of Alpine Chough.

Higher still, Maisie spotted a Woodland Grayling while Cindy found a Comma and in a clearing nearby, we found both Small and Southern Small Whites nectaring. We then tracked down Alcon

Blues again and also saw a Woodland Brown which the whole group got to enjoy, Pete having found one briefly earlier. Here we also found flowering Red Helleborine and Common Spotted Orchids in better condition than they had been lower down. Round the corner there were also Fragrant Orchids and under the trees we found our first Bird's Nest Orchids too.

Further up again Caroline spotted the first Bright-eyed Ringlet of the day and a Gold Spangle Moth was found. We stopped for lunch in the shade of the trees, pausing our meal occasionally to scan the slopes above us hopeful of finding Chamois. We were unsuccessful in that quest but, after eating, we continued uphill a short way and were able to add a couple more orchid species to our list including Dark Red Helleborine in bud and Lesser Butterfly Orchid. Maisie also found some Pinesap, a strange parasitic plant which relies on the roots of Pines for its nutrients and doesn't produce chlorophyll.

On the way back down, we found a couple of specimens of Broad-leaved Helleborine in bud too and Barbara spotted Herb Paris, a plant that Paul was especially delighted to find. We also added Wood White and Green-veined White to our ever growing list of butterflies on the way back too.

As it was now very hot, we opted to stop for an ice cream on the way to our next stop and enjoyed a selection of delicious flavours in a local cafe before heading up another pass. On the way up, Cindy spotted a handsome male Red-backed Shrike perched near the road which we paused to look at and we saw lots of Pyramidal Orchids and many more Martagon Lilies beside the road.



Herb Paris @ Barbara F

On parking up we were treated to a fantastic view of the central ridge of the Vercors spread before us. There was a mass of Viper's Bugloss at the edge of the parking area though and we headed towards it to see what was nectaring on it. We were treated to a cloud of Essex and Small Skippers plus a Large Wall Brown, several Hummingbird Hawkmoths, and handful of Black-veined Whites and Heath Fritillaries. Along with Honey bees there were lots of others, Violet Carpenter Bees, a variety of Bumblebees and Carder Bees and likely solitary bees too. It was humming with insect life!



Broad-bordered Bee Hawkmoth @ Cindy L

A Yellowhammer was singing throughout and it wasn't long before Barbara spotted the first Apollo to fly through. Nearby we noted Scarce Copper and our first Sloe Hairstreak too, and Caroline caught sight of a Purple-shot Copper which flew in briefly before disappearing again. Meanwhile back at the large Viper's Bugloss patch, Maisie had found a Spotted Fritillary and when we returned to look for it again we came across a Broad-bordered Bee Hawkmoth as well.

On our way back down the hill, we paused at a quarry where there was lots more Viper's Bugloss and added Amanda's Blue, Lesser Spotted Fritillary and Berger's Clouded Yellow to our list in quick succession. We had great views of a Swallowtail nectaring and could hear Western Bonelli's Warbler calling, eventually seeing it too. We also found a little cluster of False Heath Fritillaries and got a brief glimpse of a Crested Tit before having to tear ourselves away to make the return journey to the hotel.

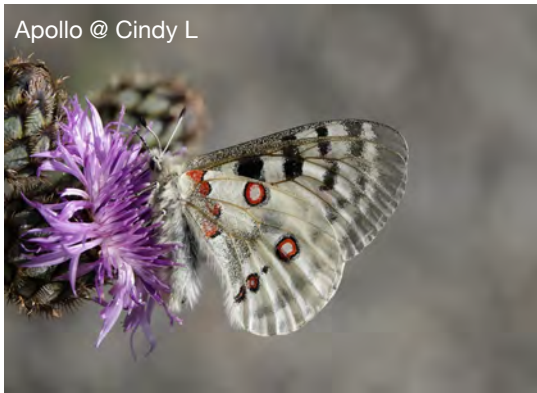
We made one final very brief stop for a photo opportunity where the view opened up towards the Alps as we approached the main road. We had had a long and very full day and were looking forward to our evening meal.



Swallowtail @ Maisie B

## Day 4

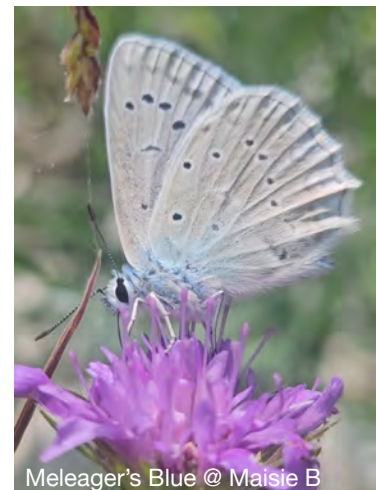
Today we gathered at our normal breakfast time and left after collecting our lunches for a day visiting the high plateau. We passed over the Col above the hotel and down the other side, pausing briefly when Cindy spotted Griffon Vultures circling high above and noticing a Sparrowhawk, House Martins, Alpine Swifts and Alpine Chough flying too, plus Great Banded Grayling and Marbled White on the roadside.



We stopped again further on when Alice noticed some nectaring Apollos on the side of the road and we ended up finding other butterflies here too. There was one Apollo in particular which didn't move even when other vehicles passed within inches of the flower it was on! We also saw Woodland Grayling, Dark Green Fritillary, Heath Fritillary, Brimstone and Blue-spot Hairstreak among others on the Narrow-leaved Red Valerian and Lavender here. Barbara also found a Potter Wasp with a paralysed caterpillar that it was carrying back to provision its pot for its larva.

A third stop was near a ford over a small river where we hoped to find a few orchids among other things. We noted Fragrant and Common Spotted Orchids but no other species as we had hoped. We did however find some other lovely flowers including Small Yellow Foxglove, Round-headed Rampion and Fairy Flax. We found the beautifully marked Crepuscular Burnet here too and Cindy spotted a pair of Golden Eagles soaring on a thermal high overhead.

Meanwhile, there were a lot of butterflies to be seen near the ford, puddling on the damp stones. Maisie found a Meleager's Blue nearby but there was also Great Sooty Satyr, Mazarine, Silver-studded and Common Blue here as well as Brown Argus and a brief visit from a Southern White Admiral. There were several Pyrgus genus skippers too but not settling well enough for us to look at them. We agreed to move on for now and return later in the hopes of finding more in the interim and maybe seeing those that were here again if not.



We finally made it to our main stop for the day and prepared for our walk. A Marbled Fritillary was spotted nectaring before we left the parking area and then we found a small spring nearby where more butterflies were gathering. Here we noted Amanda's and Small Blues along with the first plant of Alpine Alchemilla. Setting off uphill we were soon stopped in our tracks again when Maisie found a pair of mating Red Underwing Skippers and nearby Caroline spotted a Dingy Skipper.

Serin @ Alice Hunter



As we climbed we started to find more new butterflies with Pete spotting the first Large Ringlet and later Turquoise Blue, Foulquier's Grizzled Skipper and Sooty Copper being added to our list. There were a few birds up here too with Common Redstart and Woodlark calling, Serin being seen in the tree tops and Cindy spotting Crossbills. We also found some nice alpine flora despite the dry conditions with Alpine Aster, Mountain Houseleek, Spiked Speedwell, Alpine Thistle, Hoary Rockrose and Mountain Germander among the highlights. We also found some Burnt-tip Orchids.

Heading back down the mountain, we headed back to our riverside spot to cool off and see what butterflies we could find doing the same. We enjoyed watching the butterflies here while some of us paddled and realised there were tadpoles in the water that we hadn't spotted previously. We noted Essex Skipper and Large White which we surprisingly hadn't seen yet today and heard Firecrest calling in the woods and a Cuckoo calling across the valley before Maisie found a pristine Long-tailed Blue.

Soon it was time to return to the hotel and we wound our way back over the Col catching sight of Great Spotted Woodpecker and Grey Wagtail on the way. Dinner was accompanied by an almighty thunderstorm that raged for several hours and cooled the air considerably.

## Day 5

Today was our transfer day and we left our hotel after breakfast, heading back over the Col that we had climbed yesterday and making our first stop on the way down on the other side. There were a number of butterflies here, most of which we had seen previously, but Caroline also found a Large Blue and Barbara tracked down a Wood White which we had not noted regularly. We heard Goldcrest calling among the trees here and Cindy managed to locate a Crested Tit in the top of a pine by the path.

Our next stop was beside a river that was roaring with muddy water from last night's heavy rain. In the shade, the grass was still wet despite the heat of the day building again but we still found plenty to see. As soon as we pulled up, a pair of Scarce Swallowtails floated in and began feeding on nearby flowers. Soon afterward, Maisie found a Weaver's Fritillary, and both Dingy and Lulworth Skippers were noted. Pete found a Silver-studded Blue while over the road, Cindy photographed a Reverdin's Blue and Paul noted Smokebush in bloom.



Moving on, we stopped for lunch outside the town of Die where we added Gatekeeper to our butterfly list. The highlight however was undoubtedly a pair of Turtle Doves calling and then seen flying around and settling in a Willow tree.

Our journey took us over the Col de Rousset next and it would have been rude not to pause to take in the spectacular view. We also spotted several Apollos, a Painted Lady and a Great Sooty Satyr while we were there and a brief stop for conveniences on the other side yielded a Black Redstart feeding young.

We detoured for our last stop to an alpine plateau from where we were able to take in another great view but also see a good number of Griffon Vultures gathering on a thermal. We counted at least thirty! A short wander led us to some Almond- and Bright-eyed Ringlets plus several large green Rose Chafers on a thistle head. Nearby we found a Large Grizzled Skipper and a pair of mating Green Mountain Grasshoppers.

It wasn't far now to our next hotel and we were soon able to check in and offer an optional final walk of the day to those who wanted it. We walked through the village and out into the surrounding countryside a short way, seeing Carthusian Pink and three Lizard Orchids, plus hearing Cirl Bunting and among the many familiar butterflies, seeing another Wood White. Wandering back into the village we watched masses of House Martins zipping round the church spire and mingling with several Swifts as they tore through, screaming as they went.

We had our usual evening meeting before enjoying an evening meal in the hotel restaurant and calling it a night after a long and very hot day.

## Day 6

This morning after breakfast we set out via some incredible gorges. We stopped in the first ostensibly to take in the impressive sheer walls above us and the rock strewn river below. In fact though we found a few species to admire here too. There were Grey Wagtails and Dipper in the river while Alpine Swift chattered overhead and flew round an overhang where it looked as though they may be nesting. There were a few butterflies too including Silver-washed Fritillary, Speckled

Wood, Large Skipper and Red Admiral. Next to our parking spot we also noted Wild Raspberry and Field Toadflax, while the enormous leaves of Giant Butterbur were noted next to the river.

Our next stop was beside a different river where a section of boardwalk and gravel path led us along the valley following its path for a while. Here we saw both Beautiful and Banded Demoiselles, as well as Goldenring and Small Pincertail Dragonflies. There were Blackcaps singing in the trees around us and Comma was noted alongside the path. Alice returned to collect the vehicle and meet the group at the other end of the path, hearing about sightings of Black Kite, and Song Thrush along the last section when she met with them again.



Small Pincertail @ Pete F

Having seen the Provençal Short-tailed Blue on the first day and not caught up with it since, the group were keen to find it again and we stopped at a small meadow where it had been seen previously to try and find it next. Unfortunately we were unsuccessful in our attempts but we did note Mazarine Blue, Ringlet and Scarce Copper along with a Spotted Longhorn beetle.



Large Skipper Egg  
@ Maisie B

We continued along the same road to a junction in the forest where we wandered up the tracks to explore a little before having our lunch in the shade of the trees. We found Bird's Nest Orchids nearby and Maisie found more Pinesap growing near her picnic spot. Having eaten and supplemented our lunches with a few Wild Strawberries growing in the woodland edge, we continued on to our next stop; a memorial to the French Resistance, near a ruined village that was a stronghold of theirs during the war. Although this was partly for the cultural element, we also found some astonishingly good orchids here with pristine Broad-leaved Helleborine, Fragrant and Dark Red Helleborines flowering on the road verge. Maisie and Caroline were also fortunate to find a Large Skipper in the process of ovipositing and photograph the process!

Our next stop was a rough meadow with a pond in a woodland glade. Here we found a plethora of Fritillaries: Queen of Spain, Titania's, Lesser Marbled and High Brown plus lots of Brimstones and Commas enjoying the Alpine Thistle. There were some lovely flowers too with White False Helleborine in bloom alongside Dusky Cranesbill, Aconite-leaved Buttercup and Bistort. Broad-bodied Chaser and Emperor Dragonflies were hawking over the pond while Large Red and Azure Damselflies were spotted around the edge and Alpine Newts were noted in the depths.



Titania's Fritillary @ Alice Hunter

Our final stop was at another glade further along the road where several tracks converged. Here we heard the first rumbles of a thunderstorm and so didn't stray too far from the vehicle in case the storm should head our way. As luck would have it, we needn't have worried and we were able to catch up with another Titania's Fritillary, Scarce Copper and Small Blue plus enjoy Mountain Cornflower, some very large examples of Common Spotted Orchid and our first Spiked Rampion in good flower. All the while we were serenaded by a Robin which stayed hidden in the trees.

We returned to the hotel a hot but happy group, with a little time to relax before the evening meeting and dinner.

## Day 7

Our day today began with a trip to the boulangerie to find some picnic material and then to the market to find some more - we came away with a selection of delicious breads, dips, pies, cheeses and fruits, and stashed them away safely before setting out on a walk from the hotel. We

headed uphill out of the village and along a ridge-line which gave us a great view back over the valley below. We spotted some Black Redstarts using baled hay as a hunting perch and passed through some beech woods briefly where we found Broad-leaved Helleborine in bud and nearby, the first Lizard Orchid of the day.

Crepuscular Burnet @ Maisie B

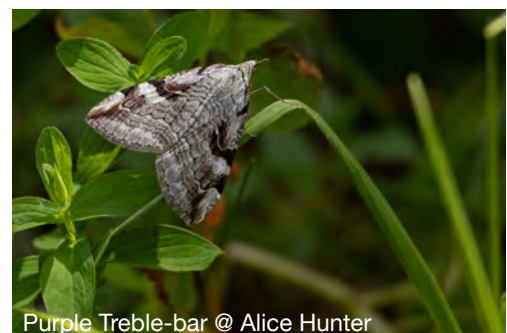


The next Lizard Orchid was not far away and was in much better condition and was widely admired. Dropping down onto a scrubby bank, we found ourselves surrounded by Great Banded Graylings, Meadow Browns and Marbled Whites while Swallows and House Martins zipped overhead. We emerged into the edge of a field with a section of un-mown grass where we found a Crepuscular Burnet and then came out in a side street of the village where a flowery verge was teeming with butterflies and yielded our only Black-veined White of the day. We wandered back to the hotel and were soon on our way out of town for some more exploring.

We found a spot on an open plateau surrounded by woodland where we located Yellowhammer, White Wagtail and a juvenile Stonechat. There were a few interesting flowers here too including Winged Greenweed and Harebells. Barbara found a beautifully marked Ground Lackey moth and we also saw Alcon Blue and Maisie found the first Chapman's Blue.

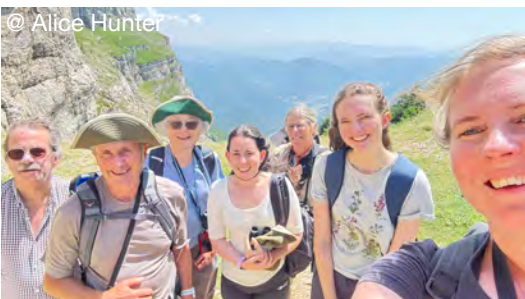
We moved on uphill for our lunch and found some shade to enjoy it. Almost as soon as we got out of the vehicle we spotted our first mammal of the trip, a beautiful Brown Hare. While we ate we noted a few butterflies around us, Apollo, Scarce Swallowtail and Almond-eyed Ringlet, and as we packed up our picnic, Paul pointed out a new plant beneath the trees, Monkshood.

We ventured out over the grassland to see what else we could find here and were pleased to add our first Niobe Fritillary to the list along with Paniculate Saxifrage. A Griffon Vulture sailed overhead and another raptor caught our attention but caused some confusion. We eventually identified it as a Common Buzzard. On the other side of the road we saw several Large Wall Brown and a continental summer form of Small Copper plus a very attractive Purple Treble-bar moth.



Purple Treble-bar @ Alice Hunter

Moving on into the ski resort area, we got a closer view of the Alpine Chough flock that we had seen distantly earlier in the afternoon as they tumbled and foraged on the slope behind the buildings. We walked up the track to the pass and noted our first Piedmont Ringlet and Purple-shot Copper on the way. It was very windy at the top but we still saw a Dark Green Fritillary battling the conditions and found Alpine Aster and *Adenostyles alpina* in flower. We ventured carefully out over the top to a suitable viewpoint and took a very windy group photo before retracing our steps and seeing Purple-edged Copper and our first Mountain Argus on the way back.



On our return to the hotel, we agreed to meet a little earlier than usual as Paul had kindly offered to take the group for a drink at a small bar up the road before the evening meeting. We enjoyed trying a bottle of the local sparkling wine for those that wanted it and a variety of soft drinks for those who didn't before returning to the hotel for our final meeting and dinner.

## Day 8

Our final morning began with a trip to the boulangerie nearest the hotel which was finally open and which proved to have an excellent selection of delicious savoury treats to choose from for our lunches. We stocked up before there was any risk of them having sold out and headed back for our final breakfast, a leisurely affair since we didn't need to be back at the airport until 3pm and had only a couple of stops planned on the way.

We packed up the bus and set out for our first stop at Pont en Royans, a pretty town in a deep gorge on the way out of the massif, famed for its ‘suspended houses’ built over the cliff edge with the river below. There were Crag Martins wheeling overhead when we parked and we had a good look as they swooped low among the buildings from time to time. The force of the river was broken by a waterfall before it got into the main part of the town and then slowed as it passed a fast section beneath the houses and past a park.



We descended to get a better view and were rewarded with a Buddleja bush teeming with Scarce Swallowtails on the river bank at the bottom, a Hummingbird Hawkmoth putting in a brief appearance too and Grey Wagtails flitting over the water.

On climbing the steps once more, it was time to say our goodbyes to Peter and Barbara who were continuing on towards Grenoble and then further south from here, while we returned north towards Lyon.

The rest of us continued on via a cross country route to our next stop, a woodland nature reserve which borders some lakes and has some interesting wetland plants. Unfortunately, the main access was apparently not open but we found another with a picnic area and this served our needs just as well. We had a walk before lunch and came across some marvellously cryptic Speckled Woods blending beautifully with the fallen leaves on the woodland floor, plus heard Firecrests calling around us, although we didn’t get to the lakes.

Having eaten our picnic, we ventured a short way in the other direction and were stopped in our tracks almost immediately for a very obliging White Admiral on the path. On our way back, we found a Yellow-bellied Toad in a puddle and then spent a few wonderful minutes watching a Spotted Flycatcher hunting from a variety of perches on the edge of the track. A delightful end to our trip.

From here it was around an hour to the airport and we made the drive smoothly, parting ways in the drop off zone to head in different directions for our respective journeys. We had enjoyed a great week together, seeing a huge variety of wildlife and plants, taking photos, sharing interests, eating good food and appreciating some spectacular scenery along the way.

## Species Lists

Butterflies			27th	28th	29th	30th	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
			June	June	June	June	July	July	July	July
Imago sightings are marked with a ✓, caterpillars are marked with a ☆			day	day	day	day	day	day	day	day
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Family <b>Papilionidae</b>										
1	Scarce Swallowtail	<i>Iphioides podalirius</i>	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓
2	Swallowtail	<i>Papilio machaon</i>			✓					
3	Apollo	<i>Parnassius apollo</i>			✓	✓	✓		✓	
Family <b>Hesperiidae</b>										
4	Large Skipper	<i>Ochlodes sylvanus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5	Lulworth Skipper	<i>Thymelicus acteon</i>					✓			
6	Small Skipper	<i>Thymelicus sylvestris</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

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			June	June	June	June	July	July	July	July
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			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
7	Essex Skipper	<i>Thymelicus lineola</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
8	Red Underwing Skipper	<i>Spialia sertorius</i>				✓				
9	Mallow Skipper	<i>Carcharodus alceae</i>			✓					
10	Marbled Skipper	<i>Carcharodus lavatherae</i>			✓					
11	Dingy Skipper	<i>Erynnis tages</i>	✓			✓	✓			
12	Safflower Skipper	<i>Pyrgus cathami</i>				✓		✓		
13	Olive Skipper	<i>Pyrgus serratulae</i>				✓				
14	Oberthur's Grizzled Skipper	<i>Pyrgus armoricanus</i>			✓	✓	✓			
15	Large Grizzled Skipper	<i>Pyrgus alveus</i>			✓	✓			✓	
16	Foulquier's Grizzled Skipper	<i>Pyrgus foulquieri</i>				✓				
17	Carline Skipper	<i>Pyrgus carlinae</i>			✓					
<b>Family Pieridae</b>										
18	Wood White	<i>Leptidea sinapis</i>			✓		✓	✓		
19	Brimstone	<i>Gonepteryx rhamni</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
20	Cleopatra	<i>Gonepteryx cleopatra</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
21	Pale Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias hyale</i>					✓			
22	Berger's Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias alfacariensis</i>			✓	✓				
23	Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias croceus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
24	Black-veined White	<i>Aporia crataegi</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
25	Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
26	Small White	<i>Pieris rapae</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓				
27	Southern Small White	<i>Pieris manni</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓		
28	Green-veined White	<i>Pieris napi</i>			✓			✓		
<b>Family Lycaenidae</b>										
29	Purple-shot Copper	<i>Lycaena alciphron</i>			✓				✓	
30	Purple-edged Copper	<i>Lycaena hippothoe</i>		✓		✓			✓	
31	Small Copper	<i>Lycaena phlaeas</i>		✓					✓	
32	Scarce Copper	<i>Lycaena virgaureae</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
33	Sooty Copper	<i>Lycaena tityrus</i>				✓				
34	Blue-spot Hairstreak	<i>Satyrium spini</i>				✓				
35	Sloe Hairstreak	<i>Satyrium acaciae</i>			✓	✓				
36	Long-tailed Blue	<i>Lampides boeticus</i>				✓				
37	Alcon Blue	<i>Phengaris alcon</i>		✓	✓				✓	
38	Large Blue	<i>Maculinea arion</i>					✓			

Butterflies			27th	28th	29th	30th	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
			June	June	June	June	July	July	July	July
Imago sightings are marked with a ✓, caterpillars are marked with a ☆			day	day	day	day	day	day	day	day
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
39	Provençal Short-tailed Blue	<i>Cupido alcetas</i>	✓							
40	Small Blue	<i>Cupido minimus</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓		
41	Silver-studded Blue	<i>Plebejus argus</i>				✓	✓			
42	Reverdin's Blue	<i>Plebejus argyrognomon</i>					✓			
43	Mazarine Blue	<i>Cyaniris semiargus</i>			✓	✓		✓		
44	Brown Argus	<i>Aricia agestis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓
45	Mountain Argus	<i>Aricia artaxerxes</i>							✓	
46	Chapman's Blue	<i>Polyommatus thersites</i>							✓	
47	Meleager's Blue	<i>Polyommatus daphnis</i>				✓				
48	Amanda's Blue	<i>Polyommatus amandus</i>		✓	✓	✓				
49	Turquoise Blue	<i>Polyommatus dorylas</i>				✓				
50	Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			
51	Eros Blue	<i>Polyommatus eros</i>			✓					
<b>Family Nymphalidae</b>										
52	Southern White Admiral	<i>Limenitis reducta</i>				✓				
53	White Admiral	<i>Limenitis camilla</i>	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓
54	Queen of Spain Fritillary	<i>Issoria lathonia</i>	✓					✓	✓	
55	Lesser Marbled Fritillary	<i>Brenthis ino</i>						✓		
56	Marbled Fritillary	<i>Brenthis daphne</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			
57	Silver-washed Fritillary	<i>Argynnis paphia</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
58	Dark Green Fritillary	<i>Speyeria aglaja</i>		✓		✓			✓	
59	Niobe Fritillary	<i>Fabriciana niobe</i>		✓					✓	
60	High Brown Fritillary	<i>Fabriciana adippe</i>				✓		✓	✓	
61	Weaver's Fritillary	<i>Boloria dia</i>					✓			
62	Titania's Fritillary	<i>Boloria titania</i>						✓		
63	Purple Emperor	<i>Apatura iris</i>		✓	✓					
64	Painted Lady	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	
65	Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>			✓			✓		
66	Peacock	<i>Aglais io</i>				✓				
67	Small Tortoiseshell	<i>Aglais urticae</i>		✓	✓					
68	Comma	<i>Polygonia c-album</i>			✓			✓	✓	
69	Spotted Fritillary	<i>Melitaea didyma</i>			✓					
70	False Heath Fritillary	<i>Melitaea diamina</i>			✓	✓		✓		
71	Heath Fritillary	<i>Melitaea athalia</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

<b>Butterflies</b>			27th June	28th June	29th June	30th June	1st July	2nd July	3rd July	4th July
			day 1	day 2	day 3	day 4	day 5	day 6	day 7	day 8
72	Small Heath	<i>Coenonympha pamphilus</i>	✓			✓	✓		✓	
73	Pearly Heath	<i>Coenonympha arcania</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
74	Woodland Brown	<i>Lopinga achine</i>			✓					
75	Speckled Wood	<i>Pararge aegeria</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
76	Large Wall Brown	<i>Lasiommata maera</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
77	Marbled White	<i>Melanargia galathea</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
78	Woodland Grayling	<i>Hipparchia fagi</i>			✓	✓	✓			
79	Great Banded Grayling	<i>Brintesia circe</i>		✓		✓	✓		✓	
80	Great Sooty Satyr	<i>Satyrus ferula</i>				✓	✓			
81	Ringlet	<i>Aphantopus hyperantus</i>	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓
82	Gatekeeper	<i>Pironia tithonus</i>					✓			
83	Meadow Brown	<i>Maniola jurtina</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
84	Piedmont Ringlet	<i>Erebia meolans</i>							✓	
85	Bright-eyed Ringlet	<i>Erebia oeme</i>			✓		✓			
86	Large Ringlet	<i>Erebia euryale</i>				✓		✓		
87	Almond-eyed Ringlet	<i>Erebia alberganus</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

<b>Moths</b>			27th June	28th June	29th June	30th June	1st July	2nd July	3rd July	4th July
			day 1	day 2	day 3	day 4	day 5	day 6	day 7	day 8
1	Forester sp.	<i>Adscita sp.</i>		✓		✓			✓	
2	Garden Straw	<i>Agapeta hamana</i>			✓					
3	Heart and Dart	<i>Agrotis exclamationis</i>			✓					
4	Purple Treble-bar	<i>Aplocera praeformata</i>							✓	
5	Festoon	<i>Apoda limacodes</i>			✓					
6	Heart and Club	<i>Argotis clavis</i>			✓					
7	Gold Spangle	<i>Autographa bractea</i>			✓					
8	Plain Golden Y	<i>Autographa jota</i>			✓					
9	Scarlet Tiger Moth	<i>Callimorpha dominula</i>		✓				✓		
10	Yellow Shell	<i>Camptogramma bilineata</i>		✓						
11	Chequered Grass-veneer	<i>Catoptria falsella</i>			✓					
12	Scottish Grass Moth	<i>Catoptria permutatellus</i>			✓					
13	Barred Marble	<i>Celypha striana</i>			✓					



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			day 1	day 2	day 3	day 4	day 5	day 6	day 7	day 8
44	Lackey	<i>Malacosoma neustria</i>			✓					
45	Common Footman	<i>Manulea lurideola</i>			✓					
46	Marbled Minor	<i>Oligia strigilis</i>			✓					
47	Brimstone	<i>Opisthograptis luteolata</i>			✓					
48	Swallow-tailed	<i>Ourapteryx sambucaria</i>			✓					
49	Willow Beauty	<i>Peribatodes rhomboidaria</i>			✓					
50	Aspen Lappet	<i>Phyllodesma tremulifolium</i>			✓					
51	Grey Arches	<i>Polia nebulosa</i>			✓					
52	Brown Rustic	<i>Rusina ferruginea</i>			✓					
53	Brown-spot Grey	<i>Scoparia pyralella</i>			✓					
54	Small Blood Vein	<i>Scopula imitaria</i>					✓			
55		<i>Scotopteryx angularia</i>			✓					
56	Shaded Broad Bar	<i>Scotopteryx chenopodiata</i>			✓					
57	Lesser Pearl	<i>Sitochroa verticalis</i>			✓					
58	Privet Hawkmoth	<i>Sphinx ligustri</i>			✓					
59	Pine Hawkmoth	<i>Sphinx pinastri</i>			✓					
60	Twin-spot Plume	<i>Stenoptilia bipunctidactyla</i>				✓				
61	Cloudy Pearl	<i>Idea nebulalis</i>				✓				
62	Crepuscular Burnet	<i>Zygaena carniolica</i>				✓			✓	
63	Transparent Burnet	<i>Zygaena purpuralis</i>	✓		✓					
64	A Burnet	<i>Zygaena romeo</i>			✓					
65	Southern Six-spot Burnet	<i>Zygaena transalpina</i>		✓						
66	A Burnet Moth	<i>Zygaena</i> sp.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
























































<b>Dragonflies &amp; Damselflies</b>			27th June	28th June	29th June	30th June	1st July	2nd July	3rd July	4th July
			day 1	day 2	day 3	day 4	day 5	day 6	day 7	day 8
1	Emperor	<i>Anax imperator</i>	✓					✓		✓
2	Banded Demoiselle	<i>Calopteryx splendens</i>						✓		
3	Beautiful Demoiselle	<i>Calopteryx virgo</i>	✓				✓	✓		
4	Azure Damselfly	<i>Coenagrion puella</i>	✓					✓		
5	Goldenring Dragonfly	<i>Cordulegaster boltonii</i>						✓		

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			day 1	day 2	day 3	day 4	day 5	day 6	day 7	day 8
6	Scarlet Darter	<i>Crocothemis erythraea</i>	✓							
7	Blue-tailed Damselfly	<i>Ischnura elegans</i>	✓							
8	Broad-bodied Chaser	<i>Libellula depressa</i>	✓					✓		
9	Four-spotted Chaser	<i>Libellula quadripunctata</i>	✓							
10	Small Pincertail	<i>Onychogomphus forcipatus</i>						✓		
11	Keeled Skimmer	<i>Orthetrum coerulescens</i>	✓							
12	Large Red Damselfly	<i>Pyrrhosoma nymphula</i>						✓		

Other notable invertebrates			27th June	28th June	29th June	30th June	1st July	2nd July	3rd July	
			day 1	day 2	day 3	day 4	day 5	day 6	day 7	
1	Oak Orb Weaver	<i>Aculepeira ceropegia</i>		✓					✓	
2	A Sand Wasp	<i>Bembix</i> sp.							✓	
3	Horned Treehopper	<i>Centrotus cornutus</i>						✓		
4	Black and Red Froghopper	<i>Cercopis vulnerata</i>		✓						
5	Rose Chafer	<i>Cetonia aurata</i>					✓		✓	
6	A Soldier Fly	<i>Clitellaria ephippium</i>						✓		
7	Four-spotted Leaf Beetle	<i>Clytra quadripunctata</i>		✓				✓		
	Small Gold Grasshopper	<i>Euthystira brachyptera</i>				✓				
8	Italian Striped Shieldbug	<i>Graphosoma italica</i>	✓			✓				
9	A Weevil	<i>Liparus coronatus</i>			✓					
10	Noon Fly	<i>Mesembrina meridiana</i>				✓				
11	Green Mountain Grasshopper	<i>Miramella alpina</i>					✓	✓		
12	Flower Crab Spider	<i>Misumenia vatia</i>			✓					
13	White-spotted Rose Chafer	<i>Oxythyrea funesta</i>		✓			✓			
14	Nursery Web Spider	<i>Pisaura mirabilis</i>			✓					
15	Spotted Longhorn	<i>Rutpela maculata</i>						✓		
16	Mud Dauber Wasp	<i>Sceliphron caementarium</i>	✓							
17	Great Green Grasshopper	<i>Tettigonia viridissima</i>		✓						
18	Bee Chafer	<i>Trichius fasciatus</i>			✓			✓	✓	
19	A Beetle	<i>Trichodes</i> sp.	✓					✓		
20	Pellucid Fly	<i>Vollucella pellucens</i>				✓				

Other notable invertebrates			27th June	28th June	29th June	30th June	1st July	2nd July	3rd July	
			day 1	day 2	day 3	day 4	day 5	day 6	day 7	
21	Hornet Mimic Hoverfly	<i>Volucella zonaria</i>		✓						
22	Violet Carpenter Bee	<i>Xylocopa violacea</i>	✓	✓	✓				✓	

Birds			27th June	28th June	29th June	30th June	1st July	2nd July	3rd July	4th July
			day 1	day 2	day 3	day 4	day 5	day 6	day 7	day 8
Species seen are marked with a ✓, those heard but not seen are marked with 🎵										
1	Griffon Vulture	<i>Gyps fulvus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
2	Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>				✓	✓			
3	Short-toed Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>	✓							
4	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>						✓		✓
5	Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>				✓				
6	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
7	Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	✓						✓	
8	Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	🎵	🎵	✓		✓			✓
9	Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>								✓
10	Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>					✓			
11	Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>				🎵				
12	Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
13	Alpine Swift	<i>Apus melba</i>				✓		✓	✓	
14	Green Woodpecker	<i>Picus viridis</i>				🎵	🎵			
15	Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>	✓	🎵	🎵	✓				
16	Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>				🎵				
17	Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>		✓			🎵		✓	
18	Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓
19	House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
20	Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>								✓
21	Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>		🎵						
22	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>				✓		✓		✓
23	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
24	Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	🎵	🎵	🎵	🎵		🎵	✓	✓
25	Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>				🎵				
26	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>		✓	🎵		✓		✓	

<b>Birds</b>			27th	28th	29th	30th	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
			June	June	June	June	July	July	July	July
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			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
27	Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>							✓	
28	Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>				✓		✓		
29	Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	
30	Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>				✓				
31	Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>						✓		✓
32	Common Whitethroat	<i>Curruca communis</i>								
33	Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>								
34	Bonelli's Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus bonelli</i>			✓					
35	Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>								
36	Firecrest	<i>Regulus ignicapilla</i>								
37	Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>								
38	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>								
39	Coal Tit	<i>Parus ater</i>				✓		✓		
40	Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>		✓					✓	
41	Crested Tit	<i>Lophophanes cristatus</i>			✓		✓		✓	
42	Red-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius collurio</i>			✓					
43	Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓
44	Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>			✓	✓		✓	✓	
45	Alpine Chough	<i>Pyrrhocorax graculus</i>			✓	✓			✓	
46	Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>		✓			✓	✓		
47	Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>								
48	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domestica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
49	Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>				✓			✓	
50	Linnet	<i>Carduelis cannabina</i>		✓						
51	Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓				
52	Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>								
53	Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>				✓				
54	Crossbill	<i>Loxia curvirostra</i>				✓				
55	Cirl Bunting	<i>Emberiza cirlus</i>								
56	Yellowhammer	<i>Emberiza citrinella</i>		✓	✓	✓			✓	

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1	Yellow-bellied Toad	<i>Bombina variegata</i>								✓
2	Alpine Newt	<i>Ichtyosaura alpestris</i>						✓		
3	Brown Hare	<i>Lepus europaeus</i>							✓	
4	Pool Frog	<i>Pelophylax ridibundus</i>	✓					♪♪		
5	Wall Lizard	<i>Podarcis muralis</i>	✓	✓			✓			

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<b>Gymnosperms</b>										
<b>Pteridaceae</b>										
1	Marsh Fern	<i>Thelypteris palustris</i>	✓							
<b>Dicotyledons</b>										
<b>Adoxaceae</b>										
2	Danewort/Dwarf Elder	<i>Sambucus ebulus</i>						✓		
<b>Anacardiaceae</b>										
3	Smokebush	<i>Cotinus coggygria</i>					✓			✓
<b>Apiaceae</b>										
4	Ground Elder	<i>Aegopodium podagraria</i>		✓	✓			✓		
5	Masterwort	<i>Astrantia major</i>		✓	✓	✓				
6	Wild Carrot	<i>Daucus carota</i>		✓			✓			
7	Hogweed	<i>Heracleum sphondylium</i>							✓	
8	French Sermountain	<i>Laserpitium gallicum</i>			✓					
9	Broad-leaved Sermountain	<i>Laserpitium latifolium</i>		✓	✓	✓			✓	
<b>Apocynaceae</b>										
10	Swallowwort	<i>Vincetoxicum hirundinaria</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			
<b>Asteraceae</b>										
11		<i>Adenostyles alpina</i>							✓	
12	Alpine Aster	<i>Aster alpinus</i>				✓			✓	
13	Yellow Ox-Eye	<i>Buphthalmum salicifolium</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
14	Alpine Thistle	<i>Carduus defloratus</i>				✓		✓	✓	
15	Cupid's Dart	<i>Catananche caerulea</i>		✓			✓			

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16	Mountain Cornflower	<i>Centaurea montana</i>			✓	✓		✓		
17	Greater Knapweed	<i>Centaurea scabiosa</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
18	Chicory	<i>Cichorium intybus</i>					✓			✓
19	Brook Thistle	<i>Cirsium rivulare</i>						✓		
20	Tall Fleabane	<i>Erigeron annuus</i>					✓	✓		
21	Hemp Agrimony	<i>Eupatorium cannabinum</i>						✓		
22	Ox-Eye Daisy	<i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
23	Giant Butterbur	<i>Petasites japonicus</i>						✓		✓
24	Alpine Butterbur	<i>Petasites paradoxus</i>						✓		
25	Purple Lettuce	<i>Prenanthes purpurea</i>						✓		
<b>Boraginaceae</b>										
26	Viper's Bugloss	<i>Echium vulgare</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
<b>Campanulaceae</b>										
27	Clustered Bellflower	<i>Campanula glomerata</i>		✓	✓	✓				
28	Peach-leaved Bellflower	<i>Campanula persicifolia</i>		✓						
29	Creeping Bellflower	<i>Campanula rapunculoides</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
30	Broad-leaved Harebell	<i>Campanula rhomboidalis</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
31	Harebell	<i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>							✓	
32	Round-headed Rampion	<i>Phyteuma orbiculare</i>				✓				
33	Spiked Rampion	<i>Phyteuma spicatum</i>						✓		
<b>Caprifoliaceae</b>										
34	Field Scabious	<i>Knautia arvensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
35	Small Scabious	<i>Scabiosa columbaria</i>							✓	
36	Common Valerian	<i>Valeriana officinale</i>		✓	✓					
<b>Caryophyllaceae</b>										
37	Deptford Pink	<i>Dianthus armeria</i>							✓	
38	Carthusian Pink	<i>Dianthus carthusianorum</i>					✓		✓	
39	Fringed Pink	<i>Dianthus hyssopifolius</i>		✓	✓	✓			✓	
40	Wood Pink	<i>Dianthus sylvestris</i>				✓	✓			
41	Soapwort	<i>Saponaria officinalis</i>					✓		✓	
42	White Campion	<i>Silene latifolia</i>		✓				✓		







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112	Paniculate Saxifrage	<i>Saxifraga paniculata</i>							✓	
	<b>Scrophulariaceae</b>									
113	French Figwort	<i>Scrophularia canina</i>							✓	
114	A Mullein	<i>Verbascum</i> sp.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	<b>Thymelaceae</b>									
115	Spurge Laurel	<i>Daphne laeurola</i>		✓					✓	
	<b>Verbenaceae</b>									
116	Vervain	<i>Verbena officinalis</i>					✓		✓	
	<b>Monocotyledons</b>									
	<b>Amarylidaceae</b>									
117	Sand Leek	<i>Allium scordoprasum</i>		✓			✓			
	<b>Asparagaceae</b>									
118	Bath Asparagus	<i>Ornithogalum pyrenaicum</i>		✓						
119	Whorled Solomon's Seal	<i>Polygonatum verticillatum</i>						✓	✓	
	<b>Cyperaceae</b>									
120	Broad-leaved Cotton Grass	<i>Eriophorum latifolium</i>		✓						
	<b>Liliaceae</b>									
121	Martagon Lily	<i>Lilium martagon</i>			✓	✓				
	<b>Juncaceae</b>									
123	Snowy Wood Rush	<i>Luzula nivea</i>			✓			✓		
	<b>Melanthiaceae</b>									
122	Herb Paris	<i>Paris quadrifolia</i>			✓			✓		
	<b>Orchidaceae</b>									
123	Pyramidal Orchid	<i>Anacamptis pyramidalis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			
124	Red Helleborine	<i>Cephalanthera rubra</i>		✓	✓					
125	Common Spotted Orchid	<i>Dactylorhiza fuchsii</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
126	Dark Red Helleborine	<i>Epipactis atrorubens</i>		✓	✓			✓		
127	Broad-leaved Helleborine	<i>Epipactis helleborine</i>			✓			✓	✓	
128	Marsh Helleborine	<i>Epipactis palustris</i>		✓						
129	Fragrant Orchid	<i>Gymnadenia conopsea</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓		
130	Lizard Orchid	<i>Himantoglossum hircinum</i>		✓			✓		✓	

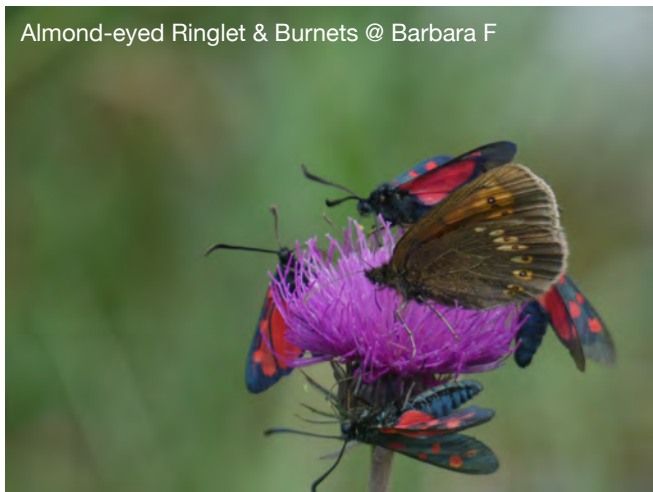
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131	Common Twayblade	<i>Listera ovata</i>			✓					
132	Burnt-tip Orchid	<i>Neotinea ustulata</i>				✓				
133	Bird's Nest Orchid	<i>Neottia nidus-avis</i>			✓		✓			
134	Lesser Butterfly Orchid	<i>Platanthera bifolia</i>			✓					
	<b>Poaceae</b>									
135	Quaking Grass	<i>Briza minima</i>		✓	✓	✓				

### Photo Gallery

Alcon Blue @ Cindy L



Almond-eyed Ringlet & Burnets @ Barbara F



Black-veined Whites @ Caroline J



Clouded Border @ Alice Hunter



Flower Crab Spider @ Alice Hunter

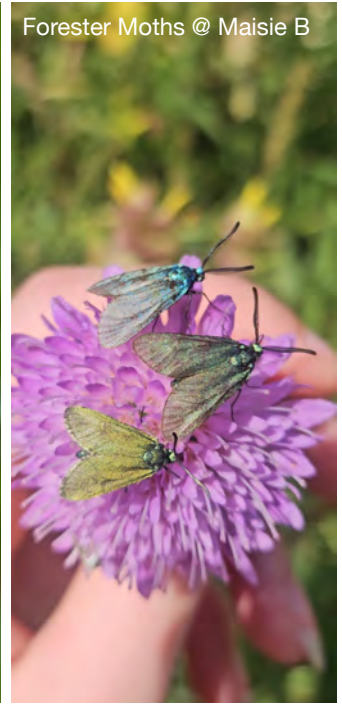


Apollo @ Barbara F

Apollo @ Maisie B



Forester Moths @ Maisie B



Broad-leaved Helleborine @ Alice Hunter

Blue-spot Hairstreak @ Caroline J



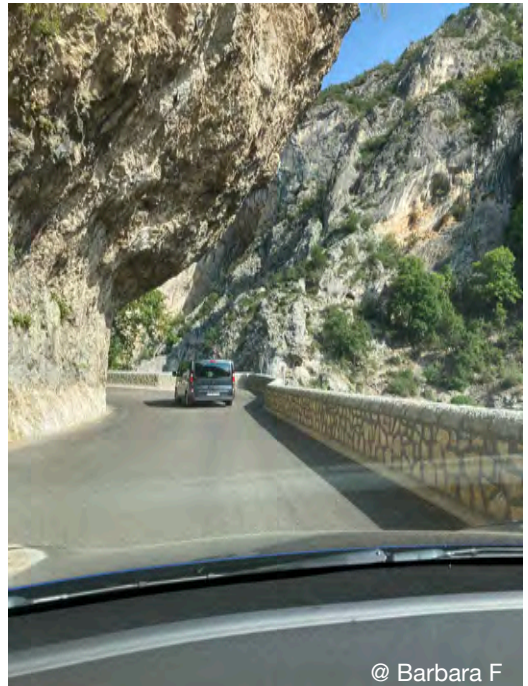
Clouded Yellow @ Pete F



Long-tailed Blue @ Maisie B



Ground Lackey @ Alice Hunter



@ Barbara F

Black-veined Whites @ Cindy L



Silver-washed Fritillary @ Pete F

*Zygaena romeo* & *Zygaena purpuralis*  
@ Alice Hunter



Burnt-tip Orchid @ Maisie B

Comma on White False Helleborine  
@ Alice Hunter



Blue-spot Hairstreak @ Cindy L



Great Banded Grayling @ Cindy L



Meadow Brown @ Barbara F



Niobe Fritillary @ Alice Hunter



Chalk Fragrant Orchid @ Alice Hunter

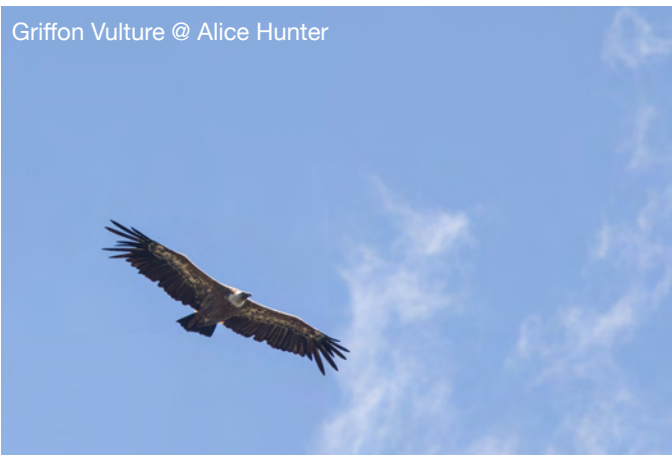


Great Sooty Satyr @ Cindy L

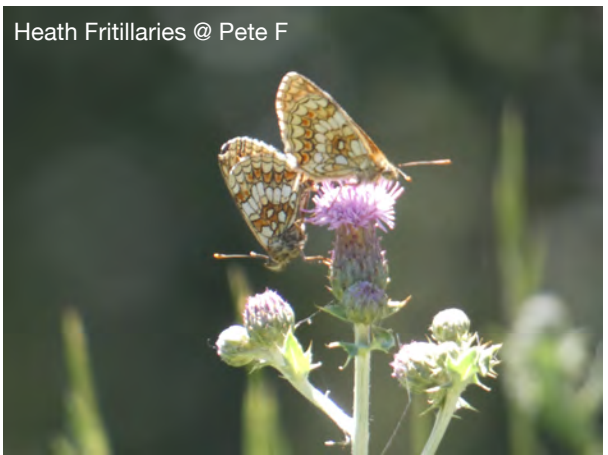


Green Mountain Grasshoppers @ Barbara F

Griffon Vulture @ Alice Hunter



Heath Fritillaries @ Pete F



@ Barbara F



Marbled Skipper @ Alice Hunter



Large Grizzled Skipper @ Barbara F



Heath Fritillary @ Caroline J



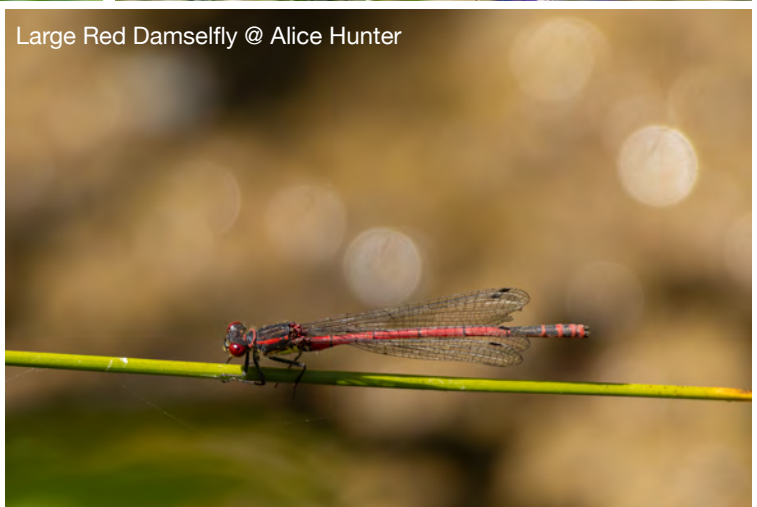
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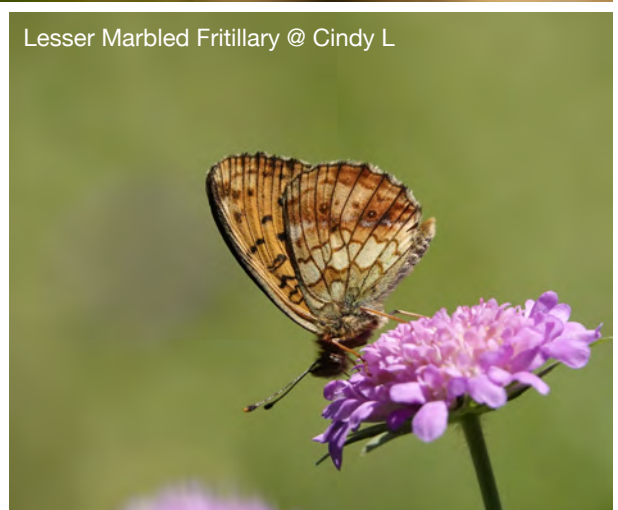
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Large Red Damselfly @ Alice Hunter



Mazarine Blues @ Caroline J



Lesser Marbled Fritillary @ Cindy L

Marbled Whites @ Pete F



Mazarine Blues @ Caroline J

Piedmont Ringlet @ Caroline J



Pale Clouded Yellow @ Cindy L



Pearly Heath @ Barbara F

Poplar Hawkmoth @ Alice Hunter



Purpler Emperor @ Pete F

Queen of Spain Fritillary @ Caroline J



Pearly Heath @ Cindy L



Red Underwing Skippers @ Cindy L

Safflower Skipper @ Pete F



Scarce Copper @ Barbara F



Spotted Fritillary @ Caroline J



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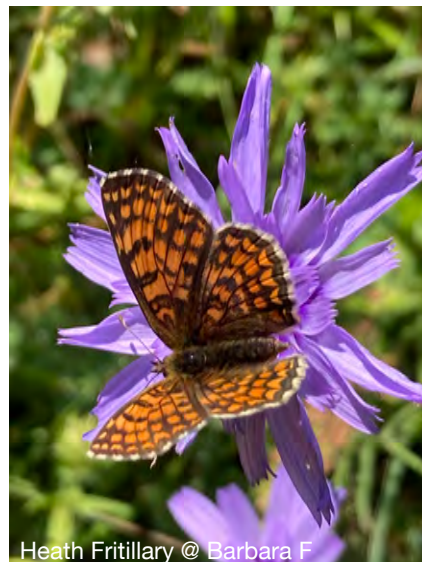
Black-veined Whites @ Pete F



Scarce Swallowtail @ Barbara F



Potter Wasp with prey @ Barbara F



Heath Fritillary @ Barbara F