

Lesser Blue-eared Starling

Lamprotornis elisabethi

274 plots from 407 records

Virgin Yellow-vented Bulbul squares **12**

Single YvB month **21**

Two YvB months **24**

This species is essentially confined to Miombo woodland where it is widespread but generally scarce. Found in pairs in Miombo during the breeding season but post breeding flocks can wander. Look for the copper coloured wash of imm birds in any flocks. This helps to split them from Blue-eared. They also sing and have "plink plonk" calls that are quite musical in flocks rather than the nasal oriole like call of Blue-eared. A finer bill and smaller head are also useful extra field characters. A difficult bird to prove breeding.

Some of these more northern and NE records may refer to Blue-eared Starling.

Seasonality

	presence	bs	eggs
January	34	-	-
February	21	-	-
March	27	-	-
April	16	-	1
May	16	-	-
June	34	-	-
July	49	-	-
August	43	-	-
September	50	-	-
October	47	-	-
November	34	3	-
December	31	-	1

Status

- Presence
- Breeding season
- Month with eggs

Elevation (m)

- 1 - 300
- 300 - 500
- 500 - 700
- 700 - 900
- 900 - 1,100
- 1,100 - 1,300
- 1,300 - 1,500
- 1,500 - 1,700
- 1,700 - 1,900
- >1,900

Tanzania Bird Atlas
Preliminary Map
August 2009
From 855,010
Database records

J F M A
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Monthly records
within each square

