


SIGHTINGS OCTOBER 2018

BIRDS	
Great-northern Diver	1 past Craster on 7 th 1 at Boulmer on 27 th 8 off Howick on 28 th 1 at Cullernose Point on 27 th
Red-throated Diver	7 near Howick on 6 th 2 at Boulmer on 27 th 50 off Howick on 28 th 1 at Cullernose Point on 27 th
Black-throated Diver	1 at Boulmer on 27 th 2 off Howick on 28 th
Slavonian Grebe	1 off Howick on 28 th
Red-necked Grebe	1 at Amble on 18 th
Manx Shearwater	2 at Boulmer on 27 th 11 off Howick on 28 th
Little Egret	2 on Holy Island causeway on 14 th and 4 on 29 th
Whooper Swan	2 at Branton Ponds on 1 st with 6 on 3 rd and 4 th
Barnacle Goose	300+ on Fenham Flats on 7 th 800+ at Fenham Flats on 14 th 30 at Stag Rocks on 2 nd 1000 at Budle Bay on 30 th
Pink-footed Goose	442 past Craster on 7 th 200 at Chevington on 4 th 60 over Alnwick on 17 th
Pintail	3 off Howick on 28 th
Wigeon	10000 at Fenham Flats on 14 th
Pochard	2 on Branton Ponds on 3 rd
Shoveler	32 at Budle Bay on 25 th
Scaup	3 off Howick on 28 th
Goosander	8 at Branton Ponds on 16 th
Common Scoter	67 past Howick on 6 th 1034 off Howick on 28 th
Velvet Scoter	33 off Howick on 28 th 1 at Cullernose Point on 27 th
Common Buzzard	1 over Alnwick on 11 th
Peregrine	1 at Branton on 10 th
Merlin	1 in College Valley on 10 th
Grey Partridge	2 at Craster on 7 th
Red Grouse	Groups of up to 30 in College Valley on 10 th
Woodcock	20 on Holy Island on 27 th 7 at Seahouses on 27 th 12 at Smeafield on 27 th
Curlew	57 at Smeafield on 1 st and 42 on 30 th
Black-tailed Godwit	100 at Monks House Pool on 2 nd
Greenshank	1 at Hedgeley Lakes on 13 th 1 at Fenham Flats on 14 th
Spotted Redshank	3 at Monks House Pool on 12 th
Purple Sandpiper	40 at Stag Rocks on 7 th
Arctic Skua	1 near Howick on 6 th
Pomarine Skua	1 off Howick on 28 th
Great Skua	1 off Howick on 28 th 1 at Cullernose Point on 27 th 1 at Boulmer on 28 th
Great Black-backed Gull	10 at Branton Ponds on 24 th
Lesser Black-backed Gull	105 at Branton Ponds on 9 th
Glaucous Gull	1 off Howick on 28 th
Mediterranean Gull	4 near Howick on 6 th 1 at Seahouses Harbour on 11 th
Gull-billed Tern	2 at Haughton Strother GP on 19 th and 20 th
Little Auk	9 off Howick on 28 th 1 at Boulmer on 28 th
Collared Dove	1 at Howick on 7 th
Tawny Owl	1 at Lucker on 12 th 1 in College Valley on 18 th 1 in Alnwick on 24 th
Barn Owl	1 at Craster on 7 th 1 at Branton on 12 th 1 near Alnwick on 4 th
Long-eared Owl	1 at Boulmer on 27 th
Short-eared Owl	2 on Holy Island on 14 th and again on 21 st 1 at Howick on 28 th
Hoopoe	1 on Holy Island on 16 th
Kingfisher	At least 2 at Branton Ponds all month
Swallow	7 over Alnwick on 11 th
Skylark	9 near Howick on 6 th

Grey Wagtail	1 at Smeafields on 15 th
Dipper	1 near Etal on 1 st
Waxwing	2 at Howick on 31 st
Fieldfare	20+ on Holy Island on 7 th 3 at Craster on 7 th 30 in College Valley on 10 th
Redwing	50+ on Holy Island on 7 th 30+ at Howick on 7 th 38 at Craster on 7 th 200+ over Branton on 16 th 33 at Branton Ponds on 18 th 16 at Smeafield on 9 th many over Alnwick on 11 th
Mistle Thrush	1 in Alnwick on 11 th and 12 th
Cetti's Warbler	1 on Holy Island on 21 st
Barred Warbler	1 on Holy Island on 29 th
Yellow-browed Warbler	7 on Holy Island on 14 th
Chiffchaff	2 at Craster on 7 th
Goldcrest	1 at Smeafield on 19 th
Bearded Tit	2 on Holy Island on 14 th
Willow Tit	1 at Branton Ponds on 2 nd 3 at Craster on 7 th
Treecreeper	1 on Holy Island on 29 th 1 in Alnwick on 24 th
Starling	4000+ on Holy Island on 21 st
Jay	2 in Alnwick on 11 th
Raven	2 in College Valley on 10 th and again on 18 th 2 at Howick on 31 st
Bullfinch	1 at Smeafield on 20 th
Greenfinch	1 in Alnwick on 12 th
Lesser Redpoll	60 at Craster on 7 th
Linnet	16 in College Valley on 18 th
Twite	1 in College Valley on 18 th
Siskin	11 at Howick on 6 th 58 at Craster on 7 th 40+ at Branton Ponds on 25 th
Brambling	9 at Craster on 7 th 200+ at Holy Island on 14 th 1 at Branton on 13 th 3 at Howick on 31 st
Crossbill	5 at Craster on 7 th 27 at Howick on 31 st
Lapland Bunting	1 on Holy Island on 14 th 2 at Holy Island on 20 th
Snow Bunting	1 on Holy Island on 7 th and still on 14 th
MAMMALS	
Grey Squirrel	1 near Shawdon Wood House on 1 st 1-2 all month in Alnwick.
Red Squirrel	1 at Branton Ponds on 9 th
Badger	1 at Branton on 10 th
Stoat	1 in Alnwick on 4 th
INVERTEBRATES	
Red-line Quaker	6 at Branton on 3 rd
Pinion-striped Snout	2 at Branton on 3 rd
Green-brindled Crescent	2 at Branton on 3 rd
Streak	3 at Branton on 3 rd
Figure of Eight	1 at Branton on 10 th 1 at Howick on 11 th
Feathered Thorn	2 at Branton on 10 th
Hummingbird Hawk-moth	1 at Hipsburn on 15 th
December Moth	1 at Branton on 11 th
Brindled Ochre	1 at Howick on 11 th
Red Sword-grass	1 at Branton on 16 th
Satellite	1 at Branton on 16 th
Red Admiral	8+ at Howick on 6 th several at Smeafield on 6 th
Small Tortoiseshell	1 at Hipsburn on 15 th
Small White	1 at Howick on 6 th
Speckled Wood	Several around Branton Ponds on 4 th 4 at Howick on 6 th 5 at Branton Ponds on 24 th several at Smeafield on 6 th



Small Copper	1 at Howick on 6 th 1 at Branton Ponds on 10 th 1 at Branton on 17 th
Comma	3 at Branton Ponds on 10 th and 1 on 24 th
Wall	Several at Smeafield on 6 th
Painted Lady	6 at Smeafield on 10 th
Common Darter	1 at Branton Ponds on 4 th
Common Hawker	1 at Branton Ponds on 4 th
Southern Hawker	1 at Branton Ponds on 10 th
RAINFALL	46mm
OBSERVERS	G,J&R Bell, I&K Davison, J Dean, G Dodds, M Hall, P Jobson, M McMahon, S Reay, J Rutter, S Sexton.



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