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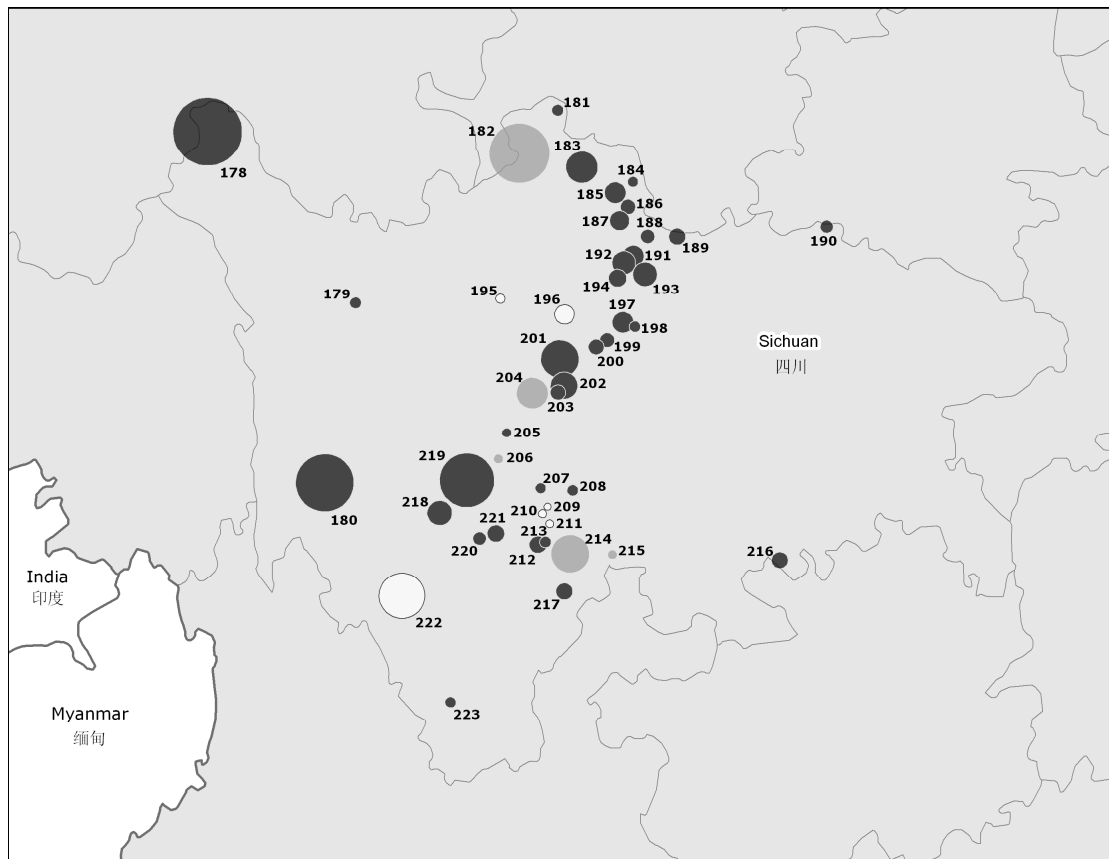
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Important Bird Areas in Sichuan Province



IBAs are represented on the map as circles proportional to their areas.

Key: ● = Protected; ○ = Partially protected; ○ = Unprotected.



Wanglang (CN186) was established as a nature reserve in the 1960s for the protection of Giant Panda *Ailuropoda melanoleuca*, and also protects many rare montane bird species. (PHOTO: LI SHENG)

IBA CODE: CN178
NAME: Changshagongma Nature Reserve
CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3
AREA: 669,759 ha
COORDINATES: 33°35'N 98°00'E
ALTITUDE: 3,840-5,249 m
CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (669,759 ha) in 1995.
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the eastern Qinghai-Tibetan Plateau, bordering Qinghai Province in the north.
THREATENED SPECIES: *Falco cherrug* (EN), *Haliaeetus leucoryphus* (VU), *Grus nigricollis* (VU)
ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 135: Qinghai mountains
BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane
IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected mammals including Snow Leopard, Musk Deer, White-lipped Deer, Tibetan Antelope and Brown Bear.

IBA CODE: CN179
NAME: Kasha Hu Nature Reserve
CRITERIA: A1 A2
AREA: 19,200 ha
COORDINATES: 31°40'N 100°16'E
ALTITUDE: 3,263-5,407 m
CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve in 1995.
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located at the north-western edge of Luhuo County. Kasha Hu is a rectangular lake with an area of 109 ha and a maximum depth of 17 m.
THREATENED SPECIES: *Haliaeetus leucoryphus* (VU), *Grus nigricollis* (VU), *Perisoreus internigrans* (VU)
ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 138: West Sichuan mountains
IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: *Tsuga longibracteata* and *Abies sp.* occur in the area. Animals include *Moschus berezovskii*, *Moschus sifanicus*, *Selenarctos thibetanus*, *Felis lynx* and *Felis temmincki*.

IBA CODE: CN180
NAME: Haizishan Nature Reserve
CRITERIA: A1 A3
AREA: 459,161 ha
COORDINATES: 29°30'N 100°00'E
ALTITUDE: 3,160-6,204 m
CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a prefecture-level nature reserve in 1995, and upgraded to a provincial-level nature reserve (459,161 ha) in 1997.
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Litang and Daocheng counties, Garzê Prefecture.
THREATENED SPECIES: *Falco cherrug* (EN), *Grus nigricollis* (VU)
BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest
IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected mammals include Musk Deer and White-lipped Deer.

IBA CODE: CN181
NAME: Têwo Nature Reserve
CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3
AREA: 20,000 ha
COORDINATES: 34°5'N 103°1'E
ALTITUDE: 2,400-3,800 m
CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (20,000 ha) in 1965.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located on the northern edge of Ruoergai County. The main habitats are subalpine coniferous forest at 2,600-3,600 m and alpine scrub and grassland above 3,600 m. There are agricultural areas on the gentle slopes below 2,700 m.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Haliaeetus leucoryphus* (VU), *Perisoreus internigrans* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Panthera pardus*, *Felis lynx*, *Felis temmincki*, *Moschus berezovskii*, *Moschus sifanicus*, *Cervus albirostris*, *Ovis ammon*, *Selenarctos thibetanus* and *Cervus nippon*.

IBA CODE: CN182

NAME: Zoigê (Ruo'ergai) marshes

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3 A4i

AREA: About 500,000 ha

COORDINATES: 33°33'N 102°29'E

ALTITUDE: 3,275-4,000 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: The IBA overlaps with Zoigê–Qammê (Ruo'ergai-Xiama) Nature Reserve (166,571 ha), which was established in 1994 and is now a national nature reserve, Manzetang Nature Reserve (165,874 ha), which was established at the provincial level in 2001, and Riganqiao Nature Reserve (107,536 ha), which was established at the county level in 2000.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Zoigê marshes have a total area of nearly 1,000,000 ha and extend from northern Sichuan into southern Gansu (where they are included in the two IBAs, Ganligahai-Zecha Nature Reserve [CN165] and Huang He Shouqu Nature Reserve [CN166]). This IBA is located in the west of Zoigê County. It is a mosaic of small lakes, ponds, freshwater marshes, ox-bow lakes and channels, with extensive areas of marshland plants.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Ciconia boyciana* (EN), *Falco cherrug* (EN), *Haliaeetus leucoryphus* (VU), *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Grus nigricollis* (VU, 314 birds in August-September 1997, the current population is c.500-600 birds)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

CONGREGATORY WATERBIRDS: *Grus nigricollis*

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Felis manul*, *Equus kiang*, *Felis lynx*, *Lutra lutra*, *Moschus sifanicus*, *Pantholops hodgsoni* and *Pseudois nayaur*.

IBA CODE: CN183

NAME: Babso Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 143,800 ha

COORDINATES: 33°24'N 103°23'E

ALTITUDE: 3,000-4,225 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Babso (Baozuo) Nature Reserve was established at the provincial level in 2003.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the east of Zoigê County. The main habitats are coniferous forest, scrub and grassland, and areas below 3,200 m have largely been converted into agricultural land.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Haliaeetus leucoryphus* (VU), *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Garrulax sukatschewi* (VU), *Paradoxornis przewalskii* (VU), *Perisoreus internigrans* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Panthera pardus*, *Felis lynx*, *Felis temmincki*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Cervus unicolor*, *Cervus elaphus*, *Moschus berezovskii*, *Moschus sifanicus*, *Naemorhedus goral*, *Ovis ammon* and *Pseudois nayaur*.

IBA CODE: CN184

NAME: Baihe Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 16,200 ha

COORDINATES: 33°14'N 104°7'E

ALTITUDE: 1,700-4,453 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (16,200 ha) in 1963.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located on the northern slope of the eastern section of Minjiang, at the eastern edge of the Qinghai-Tibetan Plateau. The lowest point of the IBA is Wangjiaheba Goukou at 1,700 m and the highest point is at 4,453 m. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with broadleaf evergreen and deciduous mixed forest (1,700-1,900 m), coniferous-broadleaf mixed forest (1,900-2,400 m), coniferous forest (2,400-3,500 m), and alpine scrub and grassland (above 3,500 m)

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Luscinia obscura* (VU), *Garrulax sukatschewi* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected plants include *Euptelea pleiospermum* and *Kingdonia uniflora*. Animals include *Ailurpoda melanolenca*, *Pygathrix roxellanae*, *Felis temmincki*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Panthera pardus*, *Felis lynx*, *Moschus berezovskii*, *Moschus sifanicus* and *Pseudois nayaur*.

IBA CODE: CN185

NAME: Jiuzhaigou Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 64,300 ha

COORDINATES: 33°6'N 103°52'E

ALTITUDE: 2,000-4,764 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a national nature reserve (64,300 ha) in 1978. Jiuzhaigou was designated in 1992 as a 'World Heritage Site' under the World Heritage Convention, and in 1997 as a 'Biosphere Reserve' under UNESCO's Man and Biosphere (MAB) Programme.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the south-western part of Jiuzhaigou County. Jiuzhaigou is a mountain valley that extends for more than 40 km, with nine Tibetan villages in the vicinity. The river valley and the slopes are fully covered by dense forest, and there are 118 lakes along the valley. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with temperate coniferous forest (2,000-2,500 m), coniferous-broadleaf mixed forest (2,500-2,800 m), coniferous forest (2,800-3,500 m) and alpine scrub and grassland (above 3,500 m).

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Luscinia ruficeps* (VU), *Luscinia obscura* (VU), *Garrulax sukatschewi* (VU), *Paradoxornis przewalskii* (VU), *Certhia tianquanensis* (VU), *Perisoreus internigrans* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Ailurpoda melanolenca*, *Pygathrix roxellanae*, *Pseudois nayaur*, *Panthera pardus*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Moschus berezovskii* and *Naemorhedus goral*.

IBA CODE: CN186

NAME: Wanglang Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 32,297 ha

COORDINATES: 32°56'N 104°3'E

ALTITUDE: 2,400-4,980 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (32,297 ha) in 1963 and subsequently upgraded to a national nature reserve.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located 120 km north-west of Pingwu County, at the eastern edge of the Qinghai-Tibetan Plateau. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with coniferous-broadleaf mixed forest (2,300-2,600 m), coniferous forest (2,600-3,500 m), alpine scrub and grassland (3,500-4,400 m) and alpine vegetation (4,400-4,900 m).

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Luscinia ruficeps* (VU), *Garrulax sukatschewi* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Animals include *Ailurpoda melanolenca*, *Pygathrix roxellanae*, *Panthera pardus*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Felis lynx*, *Felis temmincki*, *Felis manul*, *Cervus unicolor*, *Moschus sifanicus*, *Moschus berezovskii* and *Pseudois nayaur*.

IBA CODE: CN187

NAME: Huanglongsi Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 55,100 ha

COORDINATES: 32°46'N 103°56'E

ALTITUDE: 1,700-5,588 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (55,100 ha) in 1983. The reserve was designated in 1992 as a 'World Heritage Site' under the World Heritage Convention, and in 2000 as a 'Biosphere Reserve' under UNESCO's Man and Biosphere (MAB) Programme.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located 35 km north-east of Songpan County. The highest peak in the IBA is Xuebaoding, at 5,588 m, and the lowest point lies at the eastern edge of the reserve, at 1,700 m. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with broadleaf evergreen and deciduous mixed forest (1,800-2,000 m), coniferous-broadleaf mixed forest (2,000-2,300 m), coniferous forest (2,300-3,800 m) and alpine scrub and grassland (above 3,800 m).

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Perisoreus internigrans* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Ailurpoda melanolenca*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Pygathrix roxellanae*, *Panthera pardus*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Felis temmincki*, *Cervus unicolor*, *Moschus berezovskii* and *Pseudois nayaur*.

IBA CODE: CN188

NAME: Xiaohegou Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 28,227 ha

COORDINATES: 32°35'N 104°20'E

ALTITUDE: 1,310-4,166 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (28,227 ha) in 1993.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in north-west Pingwu County between the Motian Ling and Min Shan mountains.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Falco cherrug* (EN), *Haliaeetus leucoryphus* (VU), *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Grus nigricollis* (VU), *Luscinia ruficeps* (VU), *Garrulax sukatschewi* (VU), *Certhia tianquanensis* (VU), *Perisoreus internigrans* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected mammals including Giant Panda, Sichuan Snub-nosed Langur, Takin, Leopard, Takin, Asiatic Black Bear and Musk Deer.

IBA CODE: CN189

NAME: Tangjiahe Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 40,000 ha

COORDINATES: 32°35'N 104°45'E

ALTITUDE: 1,150-3,864 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a nature reserve in 1978 and upgraded to a national nature reserve in 1986 (40,000 ha).

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Guanhu Town, Qingchuan County of Guangyuan City, on the northern edge of the Sichuan Basin, on the north-western side of Longmen Shan and in the southern foothills of the Motian Ling mountains. The IBA is bordered by Baishui Jiang Nature Reserve (CN169) in Wenxian County, Gansu Province to the north and Pingwu County to the west. It is highest in the north-west and lowest in the south-east. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with evergreen broadleaf forest (below 1,600 m), mixed evergreen and deciduous broadleaf forests and conifers (1,600-2,100 m), mixed broadleaf-coniferous forest (2,100-2,400 m), subalpine coniferous forest (2,400-3,600 m) and alpine scrub and meadows (above 3,600 m).

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected plants include *Davidia involucrate*, *Tetracentron sinense* and *Cathaya argyrophylla*. Animals include *Panthera tigris amoyensis*, *Panthera pardus*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Presbytis francoisi*, *Macaca mulatta*, *Manis pentadactyla*, *Viverra zibetha* and *Viverricula indica*.



Tangjiahe Nature Reserve (CN189) is a Giant Panda *Ailuropoda melanoleuca* reserve at the edge of the Sichuan basin. (PHOTO: DONG LEI)

IBA CODE: CN190

NAME: Micang Shan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 23,400 ha

COORDINATES: 32°41'N 106°52'E

ALTITUDE: 1,300-2,400 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve in 1999, and upgraded to a national nature reserve in 2006.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in northern Nanjiang County, with the higher elevations in the northern part of the IBA. The best-preserved forest is found at 1,300-2,300 m. The vegetation shows vertical zonation, with broadleaf evergreen mixed forest at 1,300-1,600 m, mixed forest at 1,600-2,000 m, and subalpine coniferous forest at 2,000-2,300 m.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Syrmaticus reevesii* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Panthera pardus*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Felis temmincki*, *Macaca mulatta*, *Viverra zibetha*, *Lutra lutra*, *Moschus berezovskii*.

IBA CODE: CN191

NAME: Xuebaoding Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 63,615 ha

COORDINATES: 32°21'N 104°8'E

ALTITUDE: 1,600-5,058 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve in 1993, and upgraded to a national nature reserve (63,615 ha) in 2006.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in north-western Pingwu County, northern Sichuan. The IBA is in the foothills of Xuebaoding, the main peak in the Min Shan mountains.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Gallinago nemoricola* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected mammals including Giant Panda, Sichuan Snub-nosed Langur, Leopard, Takin, Asiatic Black Bear.

IBA CODE: CN192

NAME: Baiyang Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 76,710 ha

COORDINATES: 32°16'N 104°00'E

ALTITUDE: 1,100-3,800 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve in 1993.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the central part of the southern slopes of the Min Shan mountains, in a transitional zone between the North-west Plateau and the Sichuan Basin.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Giant Panda, Takin and Asiatic Black Bear are found in the area.

IBA CODE: CN193

NAME: Piankou Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: About 82,930 ha

COORDINATES: 32°08'N 104°18'E

ALTITUDE: 1,100-3,320 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve in 1994.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Piankou, Xiaoba and Kaiping townships of Beichuan County, Mianyang City. The IBA is on the western edge of the Sichuan Basin, in the centre of the Min Shan mountains, at the south-eastern edge of the Tibetan Plateau, and on the western side of the Longmen Shan mountains.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected mammals including Giant Panda, Sichuan Snub-nosed Langur and Takin.

IBA CODE: CN194

NAME: Xiaozhaizigou Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 44,391 ha

COORDINATES: 32°5'N 103°55'E

ALTITUDE: 1,550-4,796 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve in 1979.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the western part of the Longmen Shan mountains, in the transitional area between the Sichuan Basin and the Qinghai-Tibetan Plateau. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with broadleaf evergreen forest below 1,600 m, broadleaf evergreen-deciduous mixed forest at 1,600-1,900 m, coniferous-broadleaf mixed forest at 1,900-2,500 m, coniferous forest at 2,500-3,500 m, and alpine scrub and grassland above 3,500 m.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected plants include *Davidia involucrate*, *Tetracentron sinense* and *Cathaya argyrophylla*. Animals include *Ailurpoda melanolenca*, *Pygathrix roxellanae*, *Panthera pardus*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Moschus berezovskii* and *Moschus sifanicus*.

IBA CODE: CN195

NAME: Mengbi Shan

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: About 12,000 ha

COORDINATES: 31°48'N 102°17'E

ALTITUDE: 3,000-4,000 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Unprotected

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Barkam County.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Perisoreus internigrans* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN196

NAME: Mengtun

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 52,000 ha

COORDINATES: 31°38'N 103°11'E

ALTITUDE: 2,100-5,527 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Unprotected.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Shangmeng Township, Lixian County, Aba Prefecture, including parts of the eight villages in Shangmeng Township and some areas of Miyalu, including parts of the eight villages in Shangmeng Township and some areas of Miyalu,

Lixian County. The IBA is in the mountains on the eastern border of the Qinghai-Tibetan Plateau. The main vegetation types are temperate montane.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Certhia tianquanensis* (VU), *Perisoreus internigrans* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Pseudois nayaur* and *Ursus thibetanus*.

IBA CODE: CN197

NAME: Jiuding Shan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 63,700 ha

COORDINATES: 31°33'N 104°0'E

ALTITUDE: 1,050-4,989 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (63,700 ha) in 1998.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the western edge of Jinzhu and Shifang cities, in the southern section of the Longmen Shan mountain ranges. Ancient geological movements formed sheer mountains in western Sichuan. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with subtropical broadleaf evergreen forest from 1,000-1,600 m, broadleaf evergreen and deciduous mixed forest from 1,600-2,400 m, coniferous-broadleaf mixed forest from 2,400-3,000 m, coniferous forest from 3,000-3,800 m, alpine scrub and grassland from 3,800-4,300 m, and alpine vegetation above 4,300 m.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Syrnaticus reevesii* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected plants include *Davidia involucrate*, *Taiwania cryptomerioides*, *Cercidiphyllum japonicum* and *Ginkgo biloba*. Animals include *Ailurpoda melanolenca*, *Pygathrix roxellanae*, *Panthera pardus*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Moschus berezovskii*, *Macaca thibetana*, *Pseudois nayaur* and *Cervus unicolor*.

IBA CODE: CN198

NAME: Qianfoshan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 17,710 ha

COORDINATES: 31°30'N 104°10'E

ALTITUDE: 1,630-4,047 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve in 1993, and upgraded to a national nature reserve (17,710 ha) in 2006.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Mianyang City, including Chaping Xiang and Gaochuan Xiang of Anxian County, Wu'an Xiang of Beichuan County, Guangming Xiang, Fushun Xiang, Tumen Xiang and Dongxing Xiang of Maoxian, Aba Prefecture.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Garrulax sukatschewi* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Giant Panda, Sichuan Snub-nosed Langur, Takin and Asiatic Black Bear are found in the area.

IBA CODE: CN199

NAME: Baishuihe Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 30,150 ha

COORDINATES: 31°20'N 103°47'E

ALTITUDE: 1,002-4,582 m 2,500-4,200 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a national nature reserve (30,150 ha) in 1996
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in northern Pengzhu, Chengdu.
THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU)
ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains
BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest
IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected mammals including Giant Panda, Sichuan Snub-nosed Langur, Takin and Asiatic Black Bear.

IBA CODE: CN200

NAME: Longxi–Hongkou Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 34,000 ha

COORDINATES: 31°15'N 103°38'E

ALTITUDE: 820–4,582 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a national nature reserve (34,000 ha) in 1997.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in northern Dujiangyan City.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected mammals including Giant Panda, Sichuan Snub-nosed Langur, and Takin.

IBA CODE: CN201

NAME: Wolong Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 200,000 ha

COORDINATES: 31°6'N 103°8'E

ALTITUDE: 1,200–6,250 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a nature reserve in 1963, and upgraded to Wolong National Nature Reserve (200,000 ha) in 1975. Wolong was designated in 1979 as a 'Biosphere Reserve' under UNESCO's Man and Biosphere (MAB) Programme, and it was designated in 2006 under the World Heritage Convention as part of the 'Sichuan Giant Panda Sanctuaries World Heritage Site'.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located on the western edge of the Sichuan Basin, 134 km from Chengdu. The IBA extends 52 km from east to west and 63 km from north to south. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with broadleaf evergreen forest from 1,000–1,600 m, broadleaf evergreen forest at 1,600 m, broadleaf evergreen and deciduous mixed from 1,600–2,000 m, coniferous-broadleaf mixed forest from 2,000–2,600 m, coniferous forest from 2,600–3,600 m, alpine scrub and grassland from 3,600–4,800 m, and alpine vegetation from 4,500–5,000 m.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Gallinago nemoricola* (VU), *Luscinia obscura* (VU), *Certhia tianquanensis* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected plants include *Davidia involucrate* and *Cercidiphyllum japonicum*. Animals include *Ailurpoda melanolenca*, *Pygathrix roxellanae*, *Panthera pardus*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Felis lynx*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Cervus albirostris*, *Pseudois nayaur* and *Cervus unicolor*.

IBA CODE: CN202

NAME: Anzihe Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: About 101,414 ha

COORDINATES: 30°47'N 103°12'E

ALTITUDE: 1,638-3,868 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (101,414 ha) in 1993.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Goujia Township, north-west of Chongzhou City, Chengdu. The IBA is on the eastern edge of the central Longmen Shan mountains (a branch of the Qionglai Mountains), in valleys at the western edge of the Sichuan basin.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected mammals including Giant Panda, Sichuan Snub-nosed Langur, Musk Deer, Takin and Asiatic Black Bear.

IBA CODE: CN203

NAME: Heishuihe Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 31,800 ha

COORDINATES: 30°42'N 103°7'E

ALTITUDE: 1,338-3,756 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve in 1993.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Dayi County.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Grus nigricollis* (VU), *Certhia tianquanensis* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected mammals including Giant Panda and Asiatic Black Bear.

IBA CODE: CN204

NAME: Fengtongzhai Qiaoqi

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: About 130,000 ha

COORDINATES: 30°41'N 102°46'E

ALTITUDE: 1,100-5,364 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: The IBA includes Fengtongzhai National Nature Reserve (39,000 ha), which was established in 1975. Fengtongzhai was designated in 2006 under the World Heritage Convention as part of the 'Sichuan Giant Panda Sanctuaries World Heritage Site'.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the northern and eastern part of Baoxing County. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with subtropical broadleaf evergreen forest from 1,000-1,500 m, broadleaf evergreen and deciduous mixed forest from 1,500-2,000 m, coniferous-broadleaf mixed forest from 2,000-2,700 m, coniferous forest from 2,700-3,800 m, alpine scrub and grassland from 3,600-3,900 m, alpine scrub and grassland from 3,900-4,400 m, and alpine vegetation above 4,400 m.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected plants include *Davidia involucrate*, *Tetracentron sinense* and *Cercidiphyllum japonicum*. Animals include *Ailurpoda melanolenca*, *Pygathrix roxellanae*, *Panthera pardus*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Cervus albirostris*, *Pseudois nayaur* and *Cervus unicolor*.

IBA CODE: CN205

NAME: Labahe Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 13,241 ha

COORDINATES: 30°12'N 102°26'E

ALTITUDE: 1,050-4,862 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (23,400 ha) in 1963. Labahe was designated in 2006 under the World Heritage Convention as part of the 'Sichuan Giant Panda Sanctuaries World Heritage Site'.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Tianquan County. The IBA is in a transitional mountain-canyon area between the Sichuan Basin and the Sichuan Plateau. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with broadleaf evergreen forest below 1,600 m, broadleaf evergreen and deciduous mixed forest from 1,600-2,000 m, coniferous-broadleaf mixed forest from 2,000-2,600 m, coniferous forest from 2,600-3,600 m, alpine scrub and grassland from 3,600-4,100 m, and alpine vegetation above 4,100 m.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Grus nigricollis* (VU), *Liocichla omeiensis* (VU), *Alcippe variegaticeps* (VU), *Certhia tianquanensis* (VU, this IBA is the type locality of the species)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains; 140: Chinese subtropical forest

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected plants include *Davidia involucrate*, *Tetracentron sinense* and *Cercidiphyllum japonicum*. Animals include *Ailurpoda melanolenca*, *Pygathrix roxellanae*, *Panthera pardus*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Felis temmincki*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Pseudois nayaur*, *Moschus berezovskii*, *Macaca thibetana*, *Macaca mulatta* and *Cervus unicolor*.

IBA CODE: CN206

NAME: Erlang Shan

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: About 11,000 ha

COORDINATES: 29°53'N 102°20'E

ALTITUDE: 1,400-2,900 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: The IBA is partially protected in a national forest park which was established in 1998. Erlang Shan was designated in 2006 under the World Heritage Convention as part of the 'Sichuan Giant Panda Sanctuaries World Heritage Site'.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located on the boundary between Luding and Tianquan counties, in the central Hengduan Shan mountain ranges. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation: on the eastern slope there are broadleaf evergreen forests, broadleaf evergreen and deciduous mixed forest, and coniferous forest; on the western slope, there is a markedly seasonal monsoon climate, with sparse scrub, pine forest and coniferous forest below 1,500 m.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Liocichla omeiensis* (VU), *Paradoxornis zappeyi* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 140: Chinese subtropical forest

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected species include Lesser Panda, Asiatic Black Bear, Serow and Musk Deer.

IBA CODE: CN207

NAME: Wawu Shan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: About 16,000 ha

COORDINATES: 29°33'N 102°55'E

ALTITUDE: 1,100-3,485 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (16,000 ha) in 1993.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in south-west Hongya County. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with subtropical broadleaf evergreen forest from 1,100-1,800 m, broadleaf evergreen and deciduous mixed forest from 1,800-2,400 m, coniferous-broadleaf mixed forest from 2,400-2,600 m, and coniferous forest above 2,600 m.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Liocichla omeiensis* (VU), *Alcippe variegaticeps* (VU), *Paradoxornis zappeyi* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains; 140: Chinese subtropical forest

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Ailurpoda melanolenca*, *Panthera pardus*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Macaca mulatta*, *Viverra zibetha*, *Felis temmincki*, *Moschus berezovskii* and *Budorcas taxicolor*.

IBA CODE: CN208

NAME: Emei Shan

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: About 17,500 ha

COORDINATES: 29°32'N 103°21'E

ALTITUDE: 500-3,099 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Emei Shan was designated in 1996 as a 'World Heritage Site' under the World Heritage Convention.

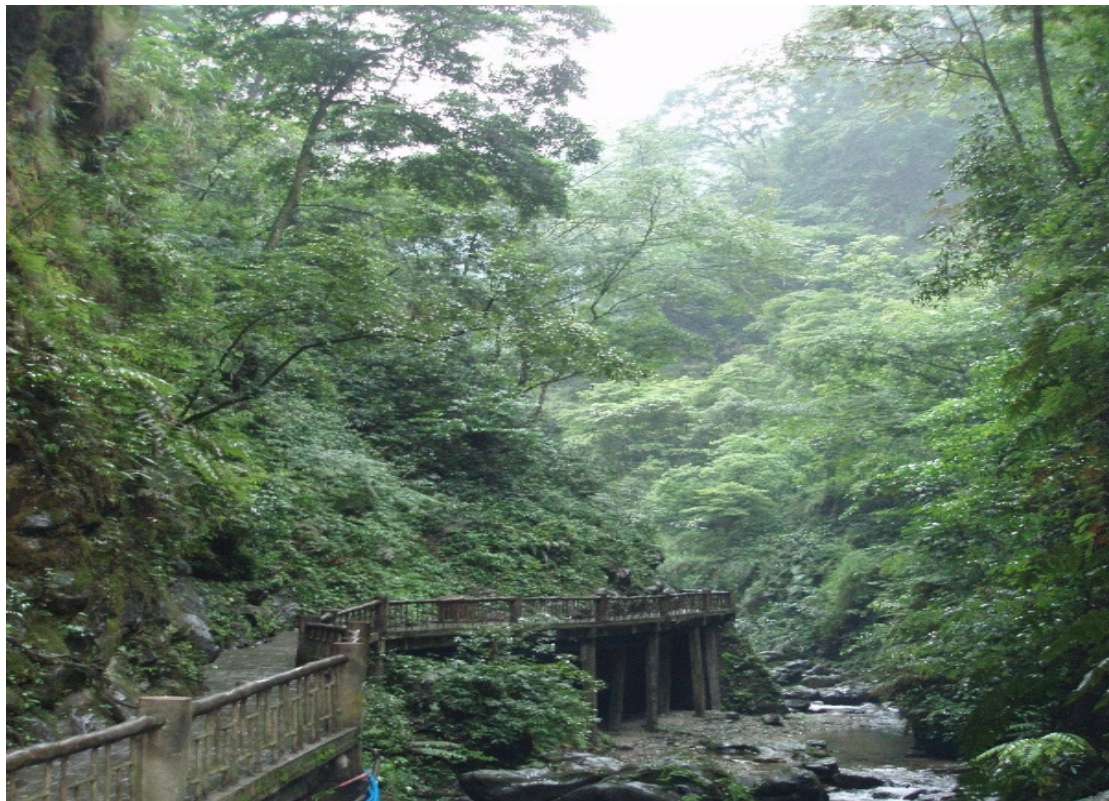
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located 7 km south-west from Emei Shan City. The highest peak is Wanfoding at 3,099 m. The entire IBA is moist and wet, with great variation at different altitudes.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Liocichla omeiensis* (VU), *Alcippe variegaticeps* (VU), *Paradoxornis zappeyi* (VU, 26 birds seen at 3,100 m in 1998)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 140: Chinese subtropical forest

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Panthera pardus*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Macaca thibetana*, *Moschus berezovskii* and *Felis temmincki*.



Emei Shan (CN208) is important as both a cultural and a natural site, and Emei Leaf-warbler *Phylloscopus emeiensis*, Emei Shan Liocichla *Liocichla omeiensis* and other species were named after this mountain. (PHOTO: SIMBA CHAN)

IBA CODE: CN209

NAME: Washan

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 6,750 ha

COORDINATES: 29°20'N 103°1'E

ALTITUDE: 1,400-3,226 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Unprotected

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the Jinkouhe Area. The habitats can be divided into forest-edge agricultural land, scrub, broadleaf evergreen forest, coniferous-broadleaf mixed forest, coniferous forest, and alpine scrub and grassland.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Paradoxornis zappeyi* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN210

NAME: Daqiao

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: About 9,000 ha

COORDINATES: 29°15'N 102°57'E

ALTITUDE: 1,400 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Unprotected

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the northern part of Ganluo County

THREATENED SPECIES: *Arborophila rufipectus* (EN, eight birds seen in a 600 ha woodland in 1974), *Paradoxornis zappeyi* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 140: Chinese subtropical forest

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN211

NAME: Cizhu

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: About 8,400 ha

COORDINATES: 29°8'N 103°3'E

ALTITUDE: 450-1,640 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Unprotected

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the north-western part of Ebian County, with the Jinkouhe area to the west.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Arborophila rufipectus* (EN), *Paradoxornis zappeyi* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 140: Chinese subtropical forest

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN212

NAME: Ma'an Shan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 40,826 ha

COORDINATES: 28°53'N 102°54'E

ALTITUDE: 4,288 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the south-western part of Ebian County, with Ganluo County to the west.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Paradoxornis zappeyi* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN213

NAME: Heizhugou Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 18,000 ha

COORDINATES: 28°55'N 103°00'E

ALTITUDE: 1,054-4,288 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (18,000 ha) in 1997.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Ebian County, covering the following towns: Sihe Zhen, Lewu Xiang, Haqu Xiang, Jinyan Xiang and Juemo Xiang.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Arborophila rufipectus* (EN), *Liocichla omeiensis* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 140: Chinese subtropical forest

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected mammals including Giant Panda, Leopard, Lesser Panda, Stump-tailed Macaque, Takin, Asiatic Black Bear and Musk Deer.

IBA CODE: CN214

NAME: Dazhubao and Dafengding

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: About 190,000 ha

COORDINATES: 28°47'N 103°20'E

ALTITUDE: 800-4,042 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: The IBA includes Mabian Dafengding National Nature Reserve (34,500 ha) and Meigu Dafengding National Nature Reserve (16,000 ha), which were established in 1978.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the transitional area between the Sichuan Basin and the Yunnan-Guizhou Plateau, with the highest point Dafengding at 4,042 m. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with broadleaf evergreen forest from 800-1,800 m, broadleaf evergreen and deciduous mixed forest from 1,800-2,200 m, coniferous-broadleaf mixed forest from 2,200-2,500 m, coniferous forest from 2,500 m and 3,500 m, and alpine scrub and grassland above 3,500 m.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Arborophila rufipectus* (EN, two birds seen in a 800 ha forest in 1987, 20 birds in a 1,600 ha forest in 1990-1991), *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU), *Liocichla omeiensis* (VU), *Alcippe variegaticeps* (VU), *Paradoxornis zappeyi* (VU), *Oriolus mellianus* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains; 140: Chinese subtropical forest

BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Ailurpoda melanolenca*, *Pygathrix roxellanae*, *Budorcas taxicolor*, *Moschus berezovskii*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Felis temmincki*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Macaca mulatta*, *Macaca thibetana*, *Panthera pardus*, *Moschus sifanicus* and *Pseudois nayaur*.

IBA CODE: CN215

NAME: Pingshan Wuzhi Shan

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 10,213 ha

COORDINATES: 28°47'N 103°54'E

ALTITUDE: 1,400-2,008 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: The IBA includes the provincial-level Pingshan Laojunshan Nature Reserve (3,500 ha), which was established in 2000.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the junction of Pingshan, Mabian and Muchuan counties. The IBA includes natural broadleaf evergreen forest at 1,000-1,790 m which has regenerated following selective logging. *Arborophila rufipectus* is usually found in woodland at 1,300-

1,790 m, together with *Lophura nycthemera*, *Tragopan temminckii* and *Chrysolophus amherstiae*.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Arborophila rufipectus* (EN), *Liocichla omeiensis* (VU), *Alcippe variegaticeps* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 140: Chinese subtropical forest

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN216

NAME: Fobao Forest Park

CRITERIA: A1 A3

AREA: About 38,000 ha

COORDINATES: 28°43'N 106°08'E

ALTITUDE: 400-1,700 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Protected at the city level as a forest park.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Hejiang County.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Syrnaticus reevesii* (VU)

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN217

NAME: Mamize Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 38,800 ha

COORDINATES: 28°20'N 103°16'E

ALTITUDE: 1,130-3,962 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve in March 2001, and upgraded to a national nature reserve in 2003.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the northern part of Leibo County. The IBA is on the eastern slope of Huangmaogeng in the Liangshan mountains, north of the Jinsha Jiang river (i.e. the upper reaches of the Yangtze River).

THREATENED SPECIES: *Arborophila rufipectus* (EN), *Grus nigricollis* (VU), *Liocichla omeiensis* (VU), *Paradoxornis zappeyi* (VU), *Oriolus mellianus* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 140: Chinese subtropical forest

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Important site also to Giant Panda, Lesser panda, Leopard, Musk Deer and Asiatic Black Bear.

IBA CODE: CN218

NAME: Wahuishan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 84,300 ha

COORDINATES: 29°13'N 101°34'E

ALTITUDE: 3,080-6,061 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve in 1995.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the northern part of Jiulong County. The IBA has steep mountains and deep river valleys. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with alpine coniferous forest from 3,100-4,000 m, and alpine scrub and grassland above 4,000 m.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals including *Panthera pardus*, *Cervus albirostris*, *Macaca mulatta*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Felis lynx*, *Felis temminckii*, *Moschus berezovskii*, *Pseudois nayaur*, *Ovis ammon*, *Cervus unicolor* and *Naemorhedus goral*.

IBA CODE: CN219

NAME: Gongga Shan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 406,917 ha

COORDINATES: 29°37'N 101°55'E

ALTITUDE: 1,500-7,556 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a national nature reserve (406,917 ha) in 1997.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located at the south-east edge of the Qinghai-Tibetan Plateau, in the north-eastern part of the Hengduan Shan mountains. The highest peak in the IBA is 7,556 m, and it is surrounded by mountains above 6,000 m. The mountains are covered by snow all year round, with well-developed glaciers. The vegetation cover shows prominent vertical zonation.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected plants include *Picea brachytyla* and *Euptelea pleiospermum*. Nationally protected animals include *Ailurpoda melanolenca*, *Pygathrix roxellanae*, *Panthera pardus*, *Cervus albirostris*, *Macaca mulatta*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Felis lynx*, *Felis temmincki*, *Moschus berezovskii*, *Pseudois nayaur*, *Ovis ammon*, *Cervus unicolor* and *Naemorhedus goral*.

IBA CODE: CN220

NAME: Yele Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 24,293 ha

COORDINATES: 28°56'N 102°7'E

ALTITUDE: 2,600-5,299 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (24,293 ha) in 1993.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The highest peak in the IBA is at 5,299 m, and the lowest point is at 2,600 m. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with subalpine coniferous forest at 2,600-3,800 m, and alpine scrub and grassland above 3,800 m.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Ailurpoda melanolenca*, *Pygathrix roxellanae*, *Panthera pardus*, *Cervus albirostris*, *Macaca mulatta*, *Ailurus fulgens*, *Felis lynx*, *Felis temmincki*, *Moschus berezovskii*, *Pseudois nayaur*, *Ovis ammon*, *Cervus unicolor* and *Naemorhedus goral*.

IBA CODE: CN221

NAME: Liziping Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 40,900 ha

COORDINATES: 29°00'N 102°20'E

ALTITUDE: 1,330-4,551 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as city-level nature reserve in 2001, and upgraded to a provincial-level nature reserve (40,900 ha) in 2003.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located on the south-western edge of the Sichuan basin.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Lophophorus lhuysii* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 137: Central Sichuan mountains; 138: West Sichuan mountains

BIOMES: AS05: Eurasian high montane; AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected mammals including Giant Panda, Sichuan Snub-nosed Langur, Takin, Leopard, Lesser Panda and Stump-tailed Macaque.

IBA CODE: CN222
NAME: Muli
CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3
AREA: 278,500 ha
COORDINATES: 28°13'N 101°7'E
ALTITUDE: 3,000 m
CONSERVATION STATUS: Unprotected
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: No information.
THREATENED SPECIES: *Garrulax bieti*
ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 139: Yunnan mountains
BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest
IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN223
NAME: Baiposhan Nature Reserve
CRITERIA: A1 A3
AREA: 16,300 ha
COORDINATES: 27°00'N 101°49'E
ALTITUDE: 1,200-3,447 m
CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a city-level nature reserve in 2000, and upgraded to a provincial-level nature reserve (16,300 ha) in 2005.
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Miyi County, Panzhihua City, on the eastern bank of the Yalong Jiang river.
THREATENED SPECIES: *Sitta magna* (VU)
BIOMES: AS07: Sino-Himalayan temperate forest; AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest
IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Musk Deer occurs in the area.