

Directory of Important Bird Areas in China (Mainland): Key Sites for Conservation

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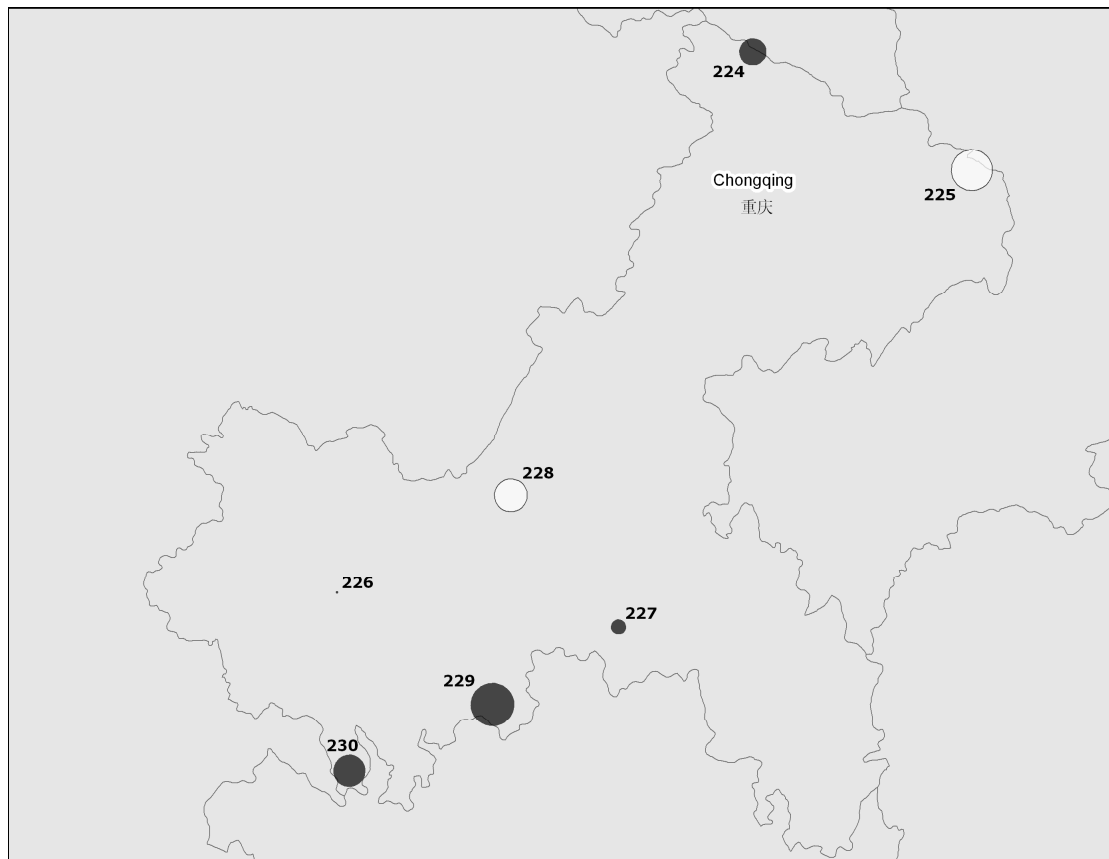
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Important Bird Areas in Chongqing City



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

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



Jinfo Shan Nature Reserve (CN229) is an area of subtropical forest in the eastern part of the Sichuan basin, which supports rare relict plants such as Yin Shan *Cathaya argyrophylla* and Dove Tree *Davidia involucrate*. (PHOTO: WEI QIAN)

IBA CODE: CN224

NAME: Beiping

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: About 16,800 ha

COORDINATES: 32°3'N 108°46'E

ALTITUDE: 1,000-2,400 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Located in Dabashan National Nature Reserve (136,017 ha), which was established in 1979.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Beiping is on the southern slopes of the Dabashan mountains. The habitats in the IBA include broadleaf evergreen forest, mixed broadleaf evergreen and deciduous forest and coniferous evergreen forest. At 1,400-1,900 m there are patches of agricultural land, scrub and commercial woodland.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Syrnaticus reevesii* (VU, a specimen was collected in 1965)

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*, *Cervus albirostris*, *Macaca mulatta*, *Felis temmincki*, *Moschus berezovskii*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Viverra zibetha*, *Viverricula indica* and *Naemorhedus goral*.

IBA CODE: CN225

NAME: Wulipo Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A3

AREA: 38,039 ha

COORDINATES: 31°25'N 109°58'E

ALTITUDE: 1,000-2,800 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a nature reserve in 2000.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the north-eastern part of Wushan County, the IBA is linked to Shennongjia (CN348) in Hubei Province in the north-east. The main vegetation types are broadleaf evergreen forest, mixed broadleaf evergreen and deciduous forest and coniferous forest.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Syrnaticus reevesii* (VU)

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected species include Leopard, Clouded Leopard, Asiatic Black Bear, Goral and Rhesus Macaque.

IBA CODE: CN226

NAME: Baishiyi Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A4i

AREA: 150 ha

COORDINATES: 29°30'N 106°21'E

ALTITUDE: 318-383 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a city-level nature reserve (150 ha) in 1998.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in the Jiulongpo District of Chongqing City, 15 km from downtown Chongqing. There is no river within the nature reserve, only with six small reservoirs and ponds (3.7 ha in total). Over 15,000 ardeids aggregate in the area, including many *Egretta garzetta*.

CONGREGATORY WATERBIRDS: *Egretta garzetta* (14,665 birds estimated based on a nest count in 1997-1998)

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN227

NAME: Xiannü Shan

CRITERIA: A1 A3

AREA: About 5,000 ha

COORDINATES: 29°18'N 107°53'E

ALTITUDE: 0-1,650 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: The IBA is inside Xiannü Shan Forest Park.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Wulong County, 20 km east from the county town. Areas of the IBA below 1,400 m are mostly converted to agricultural land, or fir and pine plantation.

The areas with thin soil are dominated by scrub.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Syrmaticus reevesii* (VU)

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Black Langur occurs at this site.

IBA CODE: CN228

NAME: Changshou Hu

CRITERIA: A1 A4iii

AREA: 24,100 ha.

COORDINATES: 29°57'N 107°19'E

ALTITUDE: 337-400 m, averaging 350 m.

CONSERVATION STATUS: Not officially protected but a nature reserve has been proposed.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The IBA is a reservoir, used by tourist boats and fishing boats. Aquacultural activity is very widespread, causing severe water pollution.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Anser cygnoides* (EN), *Anas formosa* (VU), *Aythya baeri* (VU, up to 150 birds).

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN229

NAME: Jinfo Shan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A3

AREA: 41,850 ha

COORDINATES: 28°57'N 107°11'E

ALTITUDE: 800-2,251 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (41,850 ha) in 1979, and upgraded to a national nature reserve in 2000.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Jinfo Shan is located at the eastern edge of the Sichuan Basin. The reserve was mainly established for the protection of *Cathaya argrophylla*. The vegetation shows prominent vertical zonation, with subtropical coniferous forest below 1,500 m, broadleaf evergreen forest from 1,500-1,900 m, and alpine meadows above 1,900 m.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Syrmaticus reevesii* (VU)

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

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

IBA CODE: CN230

NAME: Simian Shan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A3

AREA: 22,433 ha

COORDINATES: 28°39'N 106°24'E

ALTITUDE: 537-1,709 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (22,433 ha) in 1988.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located at the southern edge of Jiangjin, adjacent to Xishui County, Guizhou Province. The main habitat types are subtropical mixed coniferous and broadleaf evergreen forest at 900-1,200 m and broadleaf evergreen forest at 1,200-1,700 m.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Haliaeetus leucoryphus* (VU), *Syrmaticus reevesii* (VU)

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.