

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

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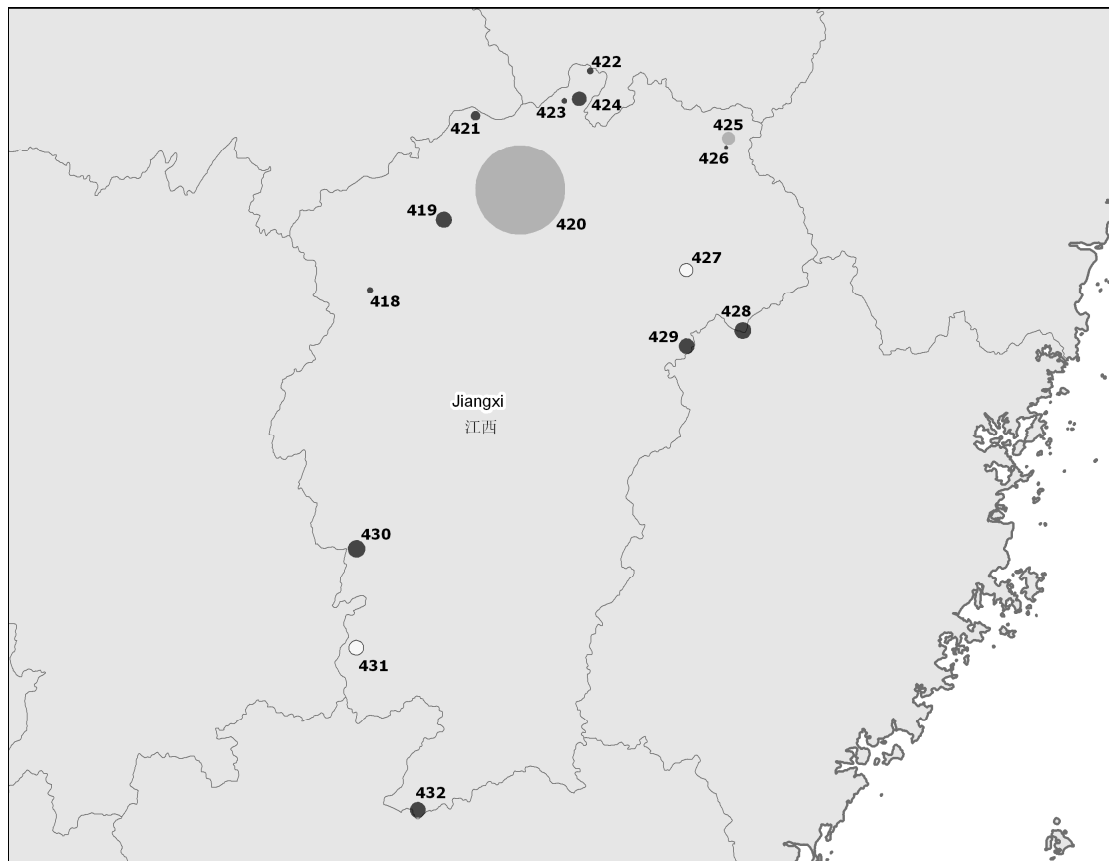
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Important Bird Areas in Jiangxi Province



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

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



Wuyuan (CN425) is a relatively well-preserved area of lowland forest which supports the only known population of Blue-crowned Laughingthrush *Garrulax courtoisi* in the world, and the species is quite common in the IBA. (PHOTO: ZHANG YU)

IBA CODE: CN418

NAME: Guanshan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 2,200 ha

COORDINATES: 28°33'N 114°35'E

ALTITUDE: 200-1,480 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (2,200 ha) in 1981, and upgraded to a national nature reserve in 2007.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Guanshan Nature Reserve is located in the north-west part of Yifeng County, 60 km from the county town. The core area of the reserve is 1,200 ha, and the experimental area is 1,000 ha. The nature reserve is located on the southern slope of Huanggangshan, in the central Jiuling mountains. Most of the area is above 800 m, with the highest point at 1,480 m. The forest in the IBA is well preserved with little human disturbance.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Syrmaticus elliotti* (VU), *Pitta nympha* (VU), *Tragopan caboti* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 141: South-east Chinese mountains

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected plants include *Amentotaxus argotaenia*, *Taxus chinensis*, *Cyclocarya paliurus*, *Emmenopterys henryi* and *Bretschneidera sinensis*. Animals include *Manis pentadactyla*, *Viverricula indica*, *Viverra zibetha*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Felis temmincki* and *Lutra lutra*.

IBA CODE: CN419

NAME: Jiulingshan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 14,942 ha

COORDINATES: 29°01'N 115°18'E

ALTITUDE: 81-1,333 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve in 1997.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Jing'an County. The IBA is forested.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Aquila heliaca* (VU), *Tragopan caboti* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 141: South-east Chinese mountains

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN420

NAME: Poyang Hu wetlands

CRITERIA: A1 A4i,A4iii

AREA: 464,664 ha

COORDINATES: 29°10'N 116°0'E

ALTITUDE: 12-30 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: The IBA is partially protected in Poyang Hu Nature Reserve (22,400 ha), which was established as at the provincial level in 1983 and upgraded to a national nature reserve in 1989, Nanjishan Nature Reserve (33,000 ha) and Saicheng Nature Reserve (4,000 ha). In 1992, Poyang Hu Nature Reserve was designated as a 'Wetland of International Importance' (or Ramsar site) under the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands, and a 'Class A nature reserve' by WWF and the State Forestry Administration. In the 1994 China Biodiversity Conservation Action Plan, Poyang Hu was listed as a wetland with conservation priority. Poyang Hu Nature Reserve has joined the North-eastern Asia Crane Network, it has frequent contact with IUCN, WWF, the International Crane Foundation and Wetland International, and it formed partnerships with Mai Po Nature Reserve (Hong Kong) and Daurskii Nature Reserve (Russia) in 1989 and 1993, respectively.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Poyang Hu National Nature Reserve is located in northern Jiangxi Province, in the north-western part of Poyang Lake. The nature reserve is located where the Xiu He and Gan Jiang rivers join Poyang Lake, and it includes nine lakes and has a total area of 22,400 ha. In the wet season (April-September) the reserve comprises some 5.65% of the

total surface area of the lake. In the wet season all of the smaller lakes are joined to Poyang Lake, while in the dry season there are exposed mudflats with shallower lakes in between.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Grus leucogeranus* (CR), *Ciconia boyciana* (EN), *Anser cygnoides* (EN), *Mergus squamatus* (EN), *Pelecanus crispus* (VU), *Anser erythropus* (VU), *Anas formosa* (VU), *Aythya baeri* (VU), *Aquila clanga* (VU), *Aquila heliaca* (VU), *Grus vipio* (VU), *Grus monacha* (VU), *Coturnicops exquisitus* (VU), *Otis tarda* (VU), *Larus saundersi* (VU), *Megalurus pryeri* (VU)

CONGREGATORY WATERBIRDS: *Ciconia boyciana* (2,832 birds in 1998), *Anser cygnoides* (18,300 birds in 1998), *Anser erythropus* (3,100 birds in 1991), *Grus leucogeranus* (wintering population of over 2,000 birds), *Grus vipio* (3,716 birds in 1994), *Grus monacha* (590 birds in 1996)

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Neophocaena phocaenoides* and *Hydropotes inermis*.

IBA CODE: CN421

NAME: Chi Hu Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A4i,A4iii

AREA: 5,300 ha

COORDINATES: 29°47'N 115°42'E

ALTITUDE: 22-35 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a county-level nature reserve (5,300 ha) in 2000.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The IBA is an inland wetland.

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

CONGREGATORY WATERBIRDS: *Anser cygnoides*, *Anser anser*

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN422

NAME: Taipo Hu Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A4i,A4iii

AREA: 2,600 ha

COORDINATES: 30°0'N 116°46'E

ALTITUDE: 33-60 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a county-level nature reserve (2,600 ha) in 2001.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The IBA is an inland wetland.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Anser cygnoides* (EN), *Anser erythropus* (VU), *Anas formosa* (VU), *Aythya baeri* (VU), *Aquila clanga* (VU), *Aquila heliaca* (VU).

CONGREGATORY WATERBIRDS: *Cygnus columbianus*, *Anas crecca*, *Anas platyrhynchos*

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN423

NAME: Fang Hu Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A4i,A4iii

AREA: 1,867 ha

COORDINATES: 29°50'N 116°30'E

ALTITUDE: 21-37 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a county-level nature reserve (1,867 ha) in 2001.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Pengze County. The IBA is an inland wetland.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Grus leucogeranus* (CR), *Ciconia boyciana* (EN), *Anser cygnoides* (EN), *Anser erythropus* (VU), *Anas formosa* (VU), *Aythya baeri* (VU), *Grus monacha* (VU), *Grus vipio* (VU)

CONGREGATORY WATERBIRDS: *Anser cygnoides*, *Anser erythropus*.

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN424

NAME: Taohongling Sika Deer Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A3

AREA: 12,500 ha

COORDINATES: 29°48'N 116°38'E

ALTITUDE: 100-537 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (4,500 ha) in 1981, and upgraded to a national nature reserve (12,500 ha) in 2001.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Taohongling Sika Deer Nature Reserve is located in the central part of Pengze County, and has a core area of 2,667 ha. There are no human residents in the nature reserve, and outside the reserve boundary there are mainly lowland agricultural lands. The elevation increases inside the reserve boundary to 300-500 m, with the highest point at 536.6 m. There are valleys with small streams and three reservoirs at the edge of the reserve.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Syrmaticus reevesii* (VU), *Emberiza sulphurata* (VU)

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected animals include *Panthera pardus*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Cervus nippon*, *Manis pentadactyla*, *Viverricula indica* and *Viverra zibetha*.

IBA CODE: CN425

NAME: Wuyuan forest

CRITERIA: A1 A3

AREA: 10,000 ha

COORDINATES: 29°19'N 117°53'E

ALTITUDE: 100-300 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Partially protected in the county-level Wuyuan Evergreen Forest Nature Reserve (3,807 ha), which was established in 1993, and the county-level Wuyuan Lianhuashan Nature Reserve (2,100 ha), established in 1993.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The IBA comprises temperate forest typical of south-eastern China.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Garrulax courtoisi* (CR, the only site in eastern China), *Mergus squamatus* (EN)

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN426

NAME: Wuyuan Datangwu Reservoir

CRITERIA: A3,A4i,A4iii

AREA: 917 ha

COORDINATES: 29°15'N 117°51'E

ALTITUDE: 90-300 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: The IBA is protected in the provincial-level Wuyuan Mandarin Lake Nature Reserve in Fuchun Town, which was established in 1997.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The nature reserve is located in Wuyuan County, Fuchuan Town. It includes an area of broadleaf forest.

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

CONGREGATORY WATERBIRDS: *Aix galericulata* (wintering population of 300-500 birds, more than 1,000 birds recorded in four areas in 1999)

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN427
NAME: Xinjiang Yiyang Qinghu Section
CRITERIA: A1 A3
AREA: About 10,000 ha
COORDINATES: 28°22'N 117°20'E
ALTITUDE: 35 m
CONSERVATION STATUS: Unprotected.
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The IBA is a riverine wetland.
THREATENED SPECIES: *Mergus squamatus* (EN)
BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest
IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN428
NAME: Jiangxi Wuyi Shan Nature Reserve
CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3
AREA: 16,007 ha
COORDINATES: 27°50'N 117°44'E
ALTITUDE: 500-2,158 m
CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve (5,333 ha) in 1981, and upgraded to a national nature reserve (16,007 ha) in 2002.
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Jiangxi Wuyi Shan Nature Reserve is located at the southern tip of Qianshan County, and has a core area of 2,649 ha. The nature reserve lies at the north-western slope of Huanggang Shan (2,158 m), and is adjacent to Fujian Wuyi Shan Nature Reserve. The IBA comprises subtropical mountains, and has more than 10 peaks above 1,500 m.
Threatened species: *Tragopan caboti* (VU), *Syrnaticus ellioti* (VU)
ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 141: South-east Chinese mountains
BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest
IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected plants include *Bretschneidera sinensis*, *Emmenopterys henryi*, *Liriodendron chinense* and *Ginkgo biloba*. Nationally protected insects include *Teinopalpus aureus*. Animals include *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Manis pentadactyla*, *Capricornis sumatraensis*, *Viverricula indica*, *Viverra zibetha* and *Felis temmincki*.

IBA CODE: CN429
NAME: Matoushan Nature Reserve
CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3
AREA: 13,867 ha
COORDINATES: 27°47'N 117°14'E
ALTITUDE: 280-1,364 m
CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve in 2001
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located in Zixi County. The IBA is forested.
THREATENED SPECIES: *Tragopan caboti* (VU), *Syrnaticus reevesii* (VU)
ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 141: South-east Chinese mountains
BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest
IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN430

NAME: Jinggang Shan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 17,217 ha

COORDINATES: 26°35'N 114°12'E

ALTITUDE: 260-1,779 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a provincial-level nature reserve in 1981, and upgraded to a national nature reserve in 2000.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Jinggang Shan Nature Reserve is located in Jinggang Shan City, and it has a core area of 3,266 ha. It is a northern extension of the Nanling mountains, and it lies within the central subtropical region. Forest cover is 87.6%, and there is prominent vertical zonation of the vegetation.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Tragopan caboti* (VU), *Syrnaticus ellioti* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 141: South-east Chinese mountains

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Nationally protected plants include *Fokienia hodginsii*, *Tsoongiodendron odorum*, *Bretschneidera sinensis*, *Emmenopterys henryi* and *Ginkgo biloba*. Animals include *Panthera pardus*, *Neofelis nebulosa*, *Manis pentadactyla*, *Capricornis sumatraensis*, *Viverricula indica*, *Viverra zibetha*, *Lutra lutra* and *Naemorhedus goral*.

IBA CODE: CN431

NAME: Suichuan

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: About 12,000 ha

COORDINATES: 25°50'N 114°6'E

ALTITUDE: 600-1,200 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Unprotected.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The IBA is forested.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Tragopan caboti* (VU), *Syrnaticus reevesii* (VU), *Coturnicops exquisitus* (VU)

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 141: South-east Chinese mountains

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: No information.

IBA CODE: CN432

NAME: Jiulianshan Nature Reserve

CRITERIA: A1 A2 A3

AREA: 13,412 ha

COORDINATES: 24°34'N 114°27'E

ALTITUDE: 280-1,430 m

CONSERVATION STATUS: Established as a nature reserve in 1975, upgraded to provincial level in 1981 and to a national nature reserve in 2003. The reserve joined the MAB network in 1995, the first reserve in Jiangxi to join the network. It was established as a national forest park in January 2006.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Located on the border between Guangdong and Jiangxi Provinces, in the Nan Ling mountains. The IBA has dense subtropical broadleaf evergreen forests.

THREATENED SPECIES: *Gorsachius magnificus* (EN), *Tragopan caboti* (VU), *Pitta nympha* (VU).

ENDEMIC BIRD AREAS: 141: South-east Chinese mountains

BIOMES: AS08: Sino-Himalayan subtropical forest

IMPORTANCE TO OTHER FAUNA AND FLORA: Many of the plants are of ancient origin, including *Ginkgo biloba* and tree-ferns.