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English	Latin	s.	pl.	Comment	NC	Tone
cattle egret	<i>Ardeola ibis</i>	bébéla	bòbébéla	? < Hausa		[HHM.LHHM]
Scops owl	<i>Otus scops</i>	egvumè	bigvumè	with small head This bird eaten despite the fact that it is used by witches		[MML.MML]
bearded barbet	<i>Lybius dubius</i>	ekumε	bikumε	has large, short beak, red/green colour, moves in pairs		[MMM.MMM]
Senegal coucal	<i>Centropus senegalensis</i>	etele	bitele		7/8	[MMM.MMM]
swallow sp.		féététe	bòféététe	makes its nest of feathers	1/2	[HML.LHML]
mousebird	<i>Colius striatus</i>	fià	fiá		9/10	[LL.HH]
finch sp.		fidvù	mvùdvù	small, flies high, sits on tree		[LL.LL]
weaver bird		fikpwà	mvùkpwà	black, moves in group	11/12	[LL.LL]
tambourine dove	<i>Turtur tympanistria</i>	fimbeḡlèḡn	mvubeḡlèḡn	found around the farms	11/12	[MMLL.MMLL]
canary	<i>Serinus mozambicus</i>	findoḡèḡsháà	mvùndoḡèḡsháà			
sunbirds	<i>Nectarinidae</i>	fins(h)oòḡ	mvuns(h)oòḡ		11/12	[MML.MML]
bird with red beak		finséḡ	mvunséḡ	small and always flying in a large number around the start of the rainy season.	11/12	[MHM.MHM]
estrildine weaver sp.		finshâ	mvùnshâ	with black and white feathers always in large numbers. Common at the start of the rainy season.	11/12	[LF.LF]
bird sp. ?		fintaḡké keḡ	mvùntaḡké keḡ	jumps from ridge to ridge in the farm wagtail	11/12	LMMH M. LMMH M
village weaver	<i>Ploceus cucullatus</i>	fintuâ	mvùntuâ		11/12	[LMF.LMF]
bird, generic		fiḡyî	mvunyîm		11/12	[MHM.MHM]
hammerkop	<i>Scopus umbretta</i>	fiḡyî fi jòò lé	mvunyîm mvu jòò lé		11/12	[MHM.MHM]
black kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	fiḡgóoy	mvuḡgóoy	Also fiḡóoy ; fiyáḡ .	11/12	[MHM.MHM]
bronze mannikin	<i>Lonchurus cucullatus</i>	flâḡ	bò-	cf. ncàncàncêw		
duck		gbàgbá	bògbàgbá	Also gwagwa .	1/2	[LH.LLH]
white-backed	<i>Thalassornis</i>	gbàgbá wvú è	bògbàgbá bó è jòò		1/2	[LH.LLH]

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duck	<i>leucomotus</i>	jò				
francolin spp.	<i>Francolinus spp.</i>	gbè	gbé	Also gwè	9/10	[L.H]
finch sp.		jèmbú	bòjèmbú			[LH]
green fruit-pigeon	<i>Treron australis</i>	jǒn	jón	sit in Canarium trees	9/10	[R.H]
woodpecker spp.		kàtàmúú	bòkàtàmúú	Also fikàcàmúú	1/2	[LLHF.LLLHF]
laughing dove		kebembe	bibembe	Also ɛbembe .	7/8	[MMM.MMM]
hornbill sp.		kegáa	bigáa	also ɛgáágáá . sit in Canarium trees	9/10	[MHM.MHM]
longtailed whydah	<i>Euplectes ardens</i>	kèjín	bijín	wagtail, black		[LH.LH]
warbler	<i>Camaroptera spp.</i>	kejonshéè	bijonshéè	Also kejoncɛɛ, ɛjooɛɛ . Sings early in the morning. clock bird	7/8	[MMHL.MMHL]
kingfisher spp.		kelâ	bilâ	Also ɛlâ .	7/8	[MF.MF]
goliath heron	<i>Ardeola goliath</i>	kènduuméè	bìnduuméè	Used in derogatory comparisons. e.g. your neck is as long as xx. Also nduuméjò		[LMMHL.LMMHL]
bird sp.		kèntɛm twɛɛ	bì-	feed on maggots in the toilet. Blue with a long tail		
village weaver	<i>Ploceus cucullatus</i>	kèntuâ	bìntuâ	same as fintuâ	7/8	[LMF.ML]
pied crow	<i>Corvus albus</i>	kèṅáàṅàà	bìṅáàṅàà		7/8	[LHLML]
barn-owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>	kèṅkfù	bìṅkfù		7/8	[LL.LL]
Quelea bird		mbèèmbèè	-	destroys farm crops. Used to attack sorghum, but now not seen often. ? Also mbèmbè		[LLLL]
bronze mannikin	<i>Lonchurus cucullatus</i>	ncàncàncêw	bò-	cf. flâṅ		
Wahlberg's eagle	<i>Aquila wahlbergi</i>	ndùṅ	bòndùṅ	eats chickens	1/2	[L.LL]
tawny eagle	<i>Aquila rapax</i>	ndùṅ njiim	bòndùṅ njiim	attacks fiercely		[LML.LLML]
river eagle	<i>Haliaetus vocifer</i>	nfaa ndùṅ	bò-			
swallow, lesser-striped	<i>Hirundo abyssinica</i>	nsan	bò-	builds mud nest on buildings		
bird sp.		ṅsèmtèn	bònsèmtèn	white and black, moves in pairs		LLL.LLL
black-headed weaver	<i>Ploceus melanocephala</i>	nshwààdááyèè	bònshwààdááyèè	have nests along river		
stream warbler	<i>Bathmocercus</i>	nyiiyèn	nyiiyèn	sings loudly at night	9/10	LLL.MMH

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scaly francolin	<i>cerviniventris</i> <i>Francolinus squamatus</i>	nyìŋ	nyíŋ		9/10	[L.H]
sand-martin	<i>Riparia paludicola</i>	ŋgoolálaà	bòŋgoolálaà		1/2	[MMHML]
vulture	<i>Neophron monachus</i>	ŋgùlúŋ	bòŋgùlúŋ		1/2	[LH.LLH]
touraco	<i>Tauraco spp.</i>	ŋkèsè	bòŋkèsè		1/2	[LL.LLL]
nightjar spp.	<i>Caprimulgidae</i>	ŋkúbòŋ	bòŋkúbòŋ		1/2	[HL.LHL]
blue-billed weaver	<i>Spermophaga haematina</i>	ŋkùùshù	bòŋkùùshù		1/2	[LL]
great sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter melanoleucas</i>	shààkày	bòshààkày	Also shwàwkày . Probably also other sparrowhawks	1/2	[LL.LLL]
fowl, chicken		shìè	shíé		9/10	[LL.HH]
waxbill [?]	<i>Estrilda spp.</i>	shwéé	bòshwéé	Eats avocado pears	1/2	[HH.LHH]