

Friday 10th November 2017, A guided bird watching walk with Colin Randall

About a dozen people came on a day of a chilly Northerly wind, although mostly sunny. We started from the Budleigh Lime Kiln car park and saw a good selection of the birds one might see at this time of year. In total about 27 + different species were identified, including 3 each of different waders, ducks and gulls, as well as a number of smaller birds like Reed Bunting and Stonechat.

The highlight for most was a Kingfisher by White Bridge, which gave excellent views from several different perches, flying swiftly between each, but for the more experienced birders a Glossy Ibis flying overhead was the real star. This is a bird that breeds in Spain, and is only occasionally seen here. It all goes to show what I said at the start: “you never know what you’re going to see when you go out!”.

Colin Randall