**The species I’ve seen on my sabbatical in Israel (University of Haifa):**

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**Birds**

Rose ringed parakeet, *Psittacula krameri*

Chukar, *Alectoris chukar*

Palestine sunbird, *Cinnyris osea*

Eurasian jay, *Garrulus glandarius*

Hooded crow, *Corvus cornix*

White pelican, *Pelecanus onocrotalus*

Common crane, *Grus grus*

Laughing dove, *Spilopelia senegalensis*

Griffin vulture, *Gyps fulvus*

Egyptian vulture, *Neophron percnopterus*

Hoopoe, *Upupa epops*

Spur-winged lapwing, *Vanellus spinosus*

Glossy Ibis, *Plegadis falcinellus*

Kestrel, *Falco tinnunculus*

Spectacled bulbul, *Pycnonotus xanthopygos*

Great tit, *Parus major*

Little Owl, *Athena noctua*

White-crowned Wheatear, *Oenanthe leucopyga*

Blackstart, *Cercomela melanura*

Tristram’s Starling, *Onychognathus tristramii*

Crested Lark, *Galerida cristata*

Arabian Babbler, *Turdoides squamiceps*

**Mammals**

Egyptian fruit bat, *Rousettus aegyptiacus*

Hedgehog, Erinaceus concolor

Nubian ibex, *Capra nubiana*

Dorcas gazelle, *Gazella Dorcas*

Rock hyrax, *Procavia capensis*

**Herps**

Near Eastern Fire salamander *Salamandra infraimmaculata*

Fan-fingered gecko, *Ptyodactylus guttatus*

Stellion, *Stellagama stellio*

Lebanon lizard, *Phoenicolacerta laevis*

Juniper skink, *Ablepharus rueppellii*

Mediterranean house gecko, *Hemidactylus turcicus*

**Insects**

Deathstalker (Israeli Yellow Scorpion), *Leiurus quinquestriatus*

Mediterranean Mantis, *Iris oratoria*

So many UFOs